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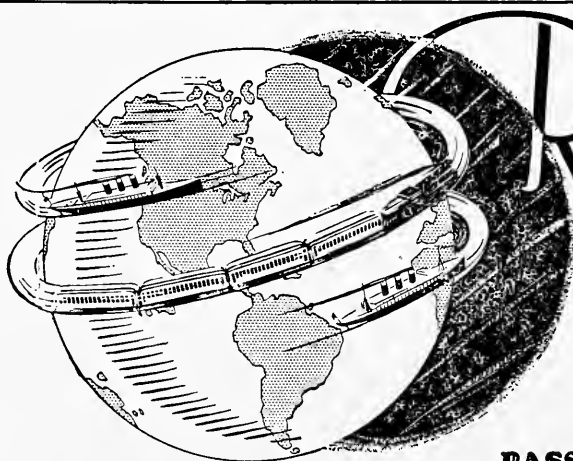
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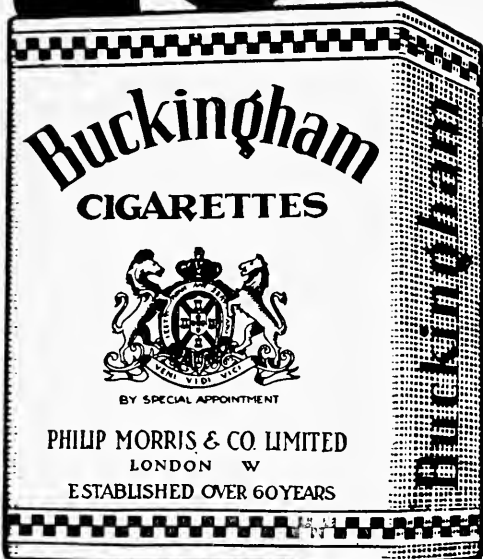


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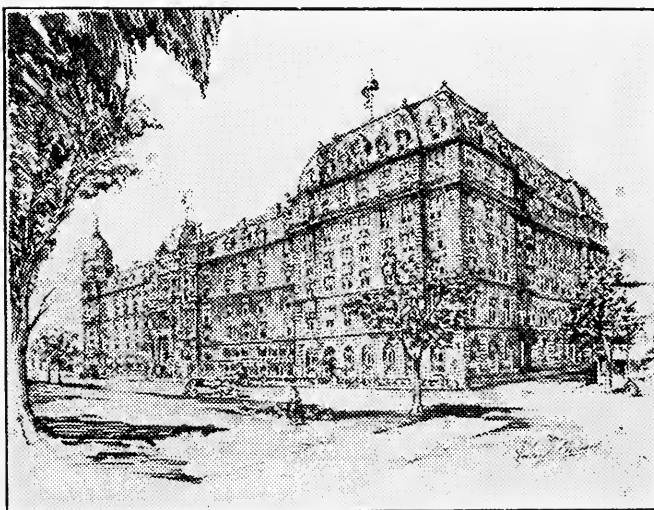


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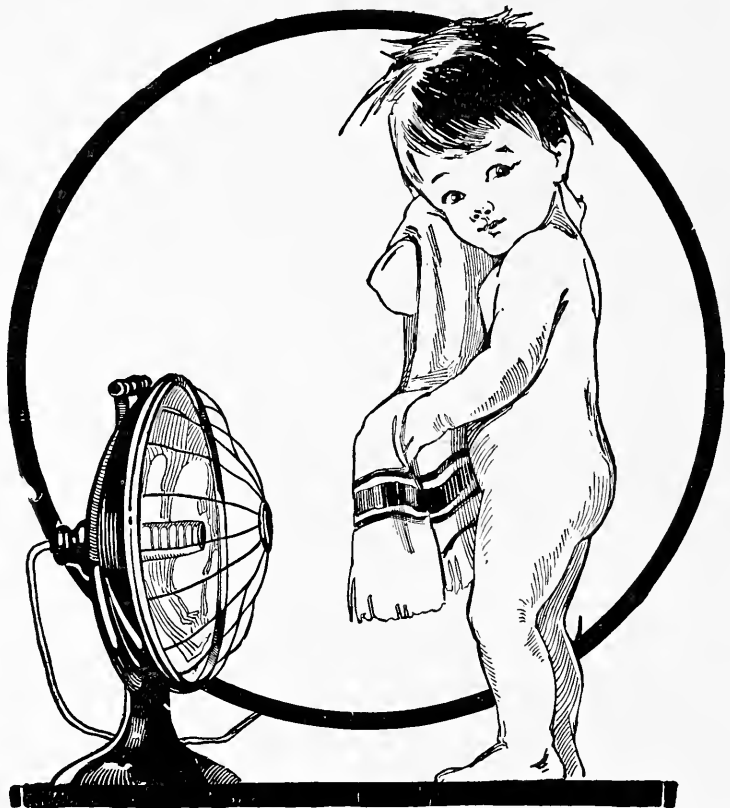
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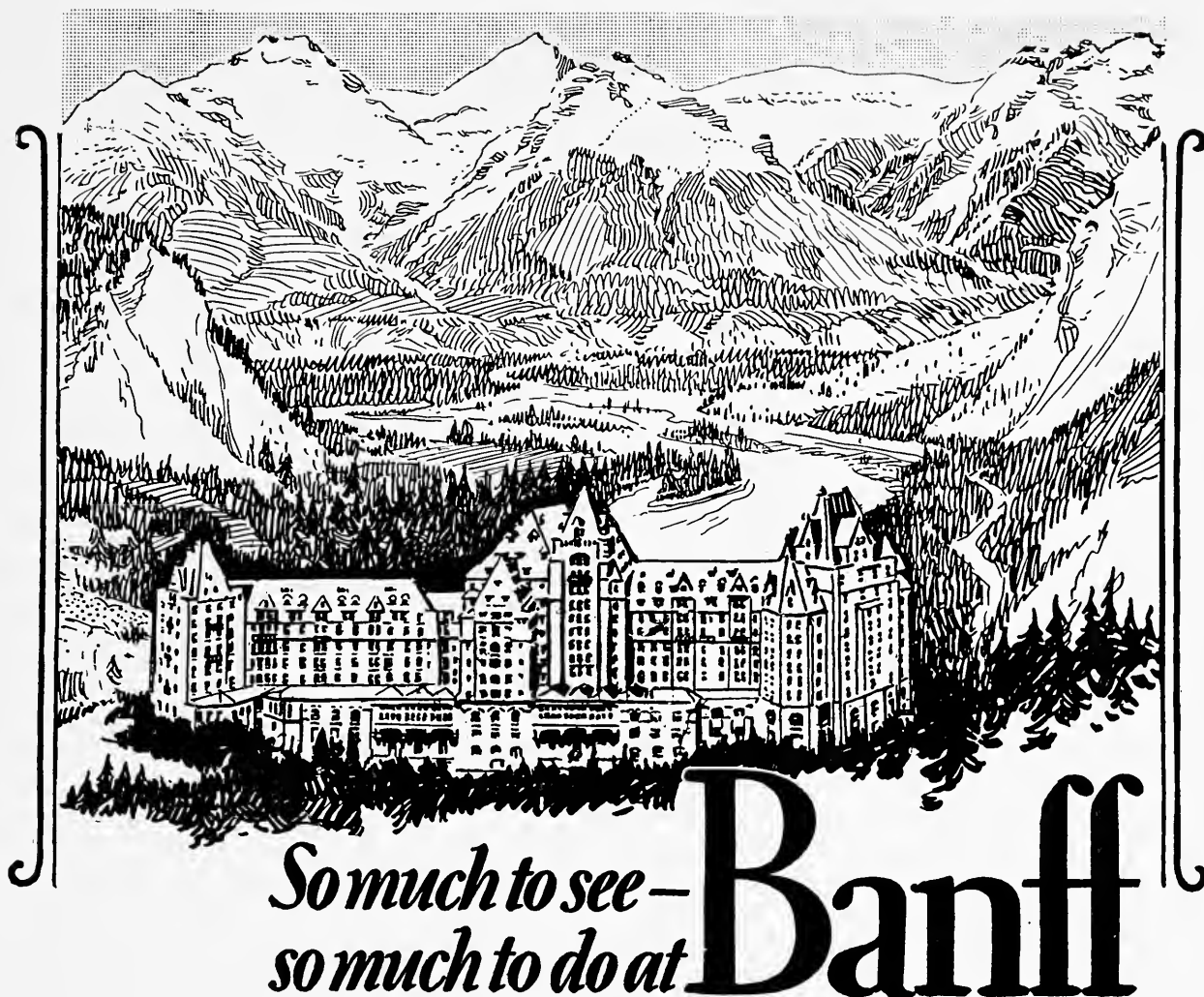
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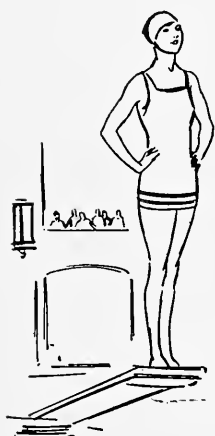
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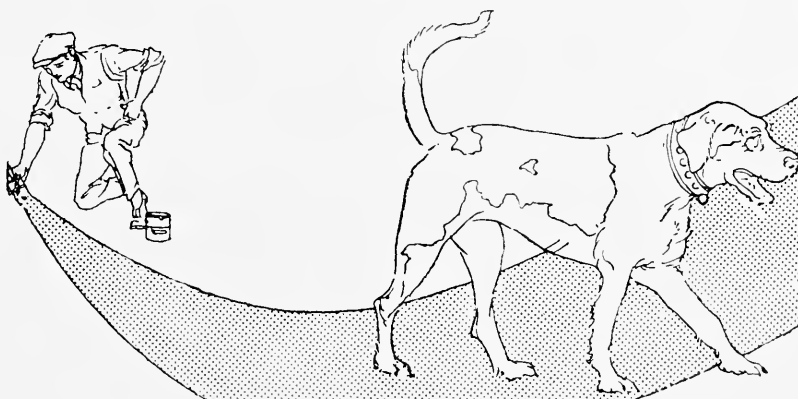
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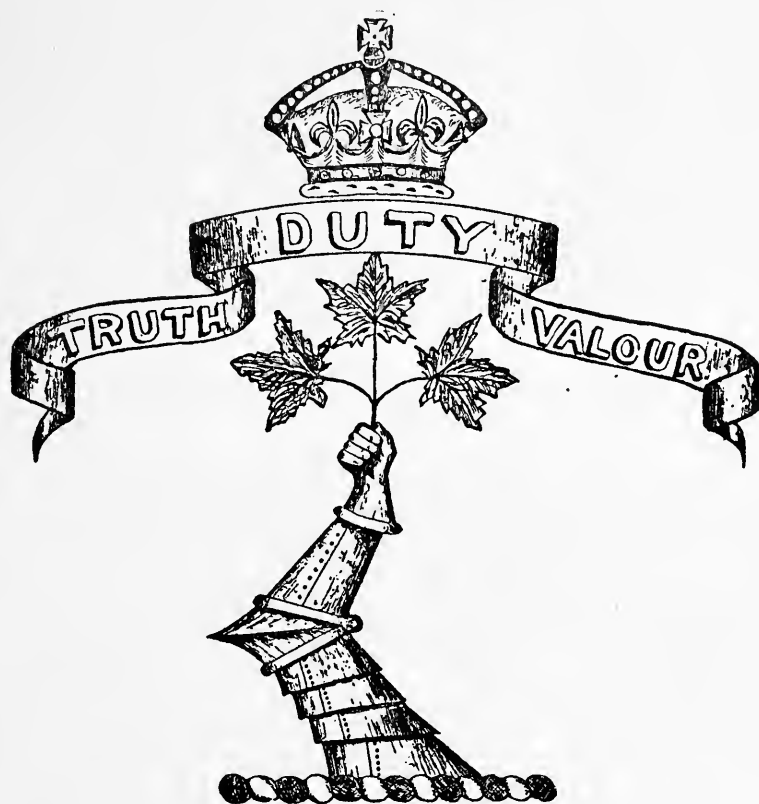
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## *Editorial Notes*

WE have the honour and pleasure of presenting, as a frontispiece to this number, a picture of His Excellency Viscount Willingdon, G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., G.B.E., Governor-General of Canada, whom we hope shortly to welcome on his first official visit to the College.

The past year at the College has been pleasantly placid and uneventful. The impartation and acquirement of knowledge have kept the "noiseless tenour of their way," good health has been prevalent, and the record in sports excellent. At the end of the Christmas term we won both the Dominion and the Intermediate Intercollegiate Rugby Football Championships, and also came out ahead in the Kingston City and District "Soccer" League. This term we have won the Intermediate Intercollegiate Hockey Championship and the International Hockey Match with West Point.

We have a large Graduating Class this year; most of them have left their mark on the College Records, in one way or another. We need not remind them that they have the good wishes of the College always with them in their future careers, but we do want to remind them that the best way for them to keep in touch with their old College is to write fully and frequently to the Editor of this Review, telling him all the news about themselves or any other ex-Cadets whom they may run across in the various parts of the world to which their duty may call them.

We very much regret that Major-General J. H. MacBrien, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., Chief of Staff, always such a good friend of the College, is retiring. We are very grateful to him for allowing us to publish in this issue his most interesting lecture on "The Defence Side of the Imperial Conference, 1926." Our feelings of sorrow are tempered with pride at the thought that his place is to be filled by an ex-Cadet, No. 256, Major-General H. C. Thacker, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.

So far as we know, for the first time in the history of the College, an ex-Cadet, actively employed in the army, has risen to a full Generalship. No. 138, Lieut.-General Sir George M. Kirkpatrick, K.C.B., K.C.S.I., General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Western Command, India, has attained that great honour. General Kirkpatrick's picture formed the frontispiece of our last number.

May we once again, risking the charge of vain repetition, implore all ex-Cadets to make a point of sending us news items, changes of address, etc.? We are certain that they cannot possibly be more tired of reading this request than we are of making it. At present we rely, with every confidence, on Lt.-Col. E. F. Wurtele for Canadian news, and Major A. H. Jukes for Indian news. If anything should happen to stop these two good friends of the College and the "Review" in their kindly work, which God forbid, we should be in a sorry plight. We direct the attention of all our readers to the copy of a letter in the ex-Cadet Section of this Number, by Major Jukes, which, though addressed to ex-Cadets in India, applies *mutatis mutandis*, to all connected with the College.

## STAFF NOTICES

### Birth.

On April 19th, 1927, to Colonel and Mrs. H. F. H. Hertzberg, a daughter (Dorothea Helen Ann).

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### Death.

It is with great regret that we have to record the death of Brigadier-General Sir Edward Raban, K.B.E., R.E., who was Professor of Military Engineering at the College from 1883-1886. After leaving the College, Sir Edward held the position of Superintending Civil Engineer at Portsmouth, and later Engineer-in-Chief and Director of Works at the Admiralty. During the War he served on the Staff of Lord French, and later was appointed a Deputy Director at the War Office.

### General.

We were very sorry to lose Major C. J. Wallace, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., the Highland Light Infantry, who returned to duty in England after having been G.S.O.2 at the College for the last two years. Before leaving, Major Wallace was presented privately with a small piece of plate by his friends on the Staff, and was also a private guest of the Commandant at a dinner given at the R. C. H. A. Mess.

We have also, unfortunately, lost another member of the Staff. Lieut. P. E. Poirier, M.M., Royal 22nd Regiment, after a short sojourn with us, has been appointed District Weapon Training Officer, M. D. 4.

It is with great pleasure that we welcome Captain and brevet Major R. H. Dewing, D.S.O., M.C., R.E., who has taken Major Wallace's position as G.S.O.2 at the College. Major Dewing is a graduate of the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich. After passing through the School of Military Engineering at Chatham, he saw service in India, later taking the Senior Captain's Course in Musketry at Hythe. During the Great War Major Dewing was on active service in Mesopotamia for four years; since then he has been on the Staff of the S. M. E., Chatham. In 1923-'24 he was at the Staff College, Camberley.

We also welcome with much pleasure another "Exchange" Officer, Lieut. A. B. Sullivan, of the 16/5 Lancers as Instructor in Tactics. Mr. Sullivan was educated at Wellington College and Sandhurst. After graduating from the latter he joined his Regiment in India. Later he spent six months in Australia and New Zealand, and then rejoined his Regiment in Egypt. From Egypt he was ordered to Canada.

Just after Christmas we were very glad to welcome Mr. A. Bleau, B.A. (Laval), B.Sc. (McGill) as Instructor in Chemistry and French. Mr. Bleau is a member of the Corporation of Professional Engineers of the Province of Quebec. Before coming to us he held engineering appointments with the Electrical Commission of the City of Montreal and the Montreal Water Board.

Our heartiest congratulations to Lt.-Col. E. J. C. Schmidlin, M.C., on his appointment as Senior Professor at the College.

We are very glad to hear that our late Comandant, Lieut.-General Sir A. C. Macdonell, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., LL.D., is as active as ever. He has been elected President of the Canadian Club in Calgary, and also Head Commissioner of the Boy Scouts for Alberta, two positions that he would fill most admirably. Furthermore we are delighted to see that he has been elected an Honorary Life Member of the R. M. C. Club.



At the last Annual Meeting of the Royal Military College Club of Canada, Professor I. E. Martin, Professor of Mathematics 1890-1920, and Director of Studies, 1917-1922, was made an Honorary Member.

Our heartiest congratulations to Capt. E. J. Harvey, not only on his "majority," but also on his completion of 25 years' service at the College, at the end of last year.

We were most pleased to hear from Professor G. Vattier, Professor of French at the College from 1918 to 1925. He is now Directeur de Etablissement de la Mission Laïque Française at Salonique, where he is, as he says himself, "Very busy with 1287 pupils, what a work!"

W. R. P. B.

## PRESENTATIONS

1. Two large portraits of General The Rt. Hon. Baron Byng of Vimy, G.C.B., G.C.M.G., M.V.O., and Lady Byng have been presented to the College to bring our collection of portraits of Governors-General and their Ladies up to date.

2. A copy of "Palmer's Detail" was kindly presented by John H. Buchanan, Esq., M.I.C.E.

3. Major H. T. Cock, M.C., The Royal Canadian Regiment, presented two water-colour sketches showing the uniforms worn by the Gentlemen Cadets, R.M.C., in 1876 and 1926.

4. The late Lieut.-Colonel G. E. Laidlaw, Lord Strathcona's Horse (R.C.), and ex-Cadet of the R. M. C. (No. 71), bequeathed to this institution three military pictures and Day Book of the "Strathcona Horse" in South Africa.

5. A bronze tablet to the memory of the late Lieutenant Travers Williams-Taylor (ex-Cadet No. 1025) has been presented by all ranks of the 13th/18th Hussars (his late Regiment). Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor has also presented the head of an Abyssinian buffalo killed by his son.

6. Collections of Canadian minerals and fossils have been presented to the College through the kindness of Dr. H. M. Ami, of the Laboratory of Geology, Ottawa. These collections are for illustrating lectures on Mineralogy and Geology. They have also been suitably displayed.

7. Through the instrumentality of Mr. Algernon Ridout, a coloured engraving of "The Battle of Queenston" has been presented by Mrs. Neilson for reproduction in the R. M. C. Review, and then for presentation to the College Museum. Mrs. Neilson is a sister of ex-Cadet No. 123, General Sir Dudley H. Ridout, K.B.E., C.B., C.M.G., R.E.

8. Through the kindness of ex-Cadet No. 96, James White, Esq., Technical Advisor to the Department of Justice, Ottawa, we have received photographs of several early pictures of Kingston, formerly in the Archives in Ottawa. Ex-Cadet No. 567, J. H. Peters, Esq., Surveyor-General, very kindly co-operated with Mr. White in obtaining these pictures for the College. It is hoped to reproduce these pictures from time to time in the R. M. C. Review.

9. Dr. E. A. Spilsbury has very kindly presented to the Library 2 books, "Naval Occurrences," London, 1817; and Norie's "Naval Gazetteer," London, 1827. These books belonged to Capt. F. B. Spilsbury, R.N., one of Sir James Yeo's captains in the War of 1812-14.

H. O. WILLS.



## “A” COMPANY NOTES.

Company Commander.  
Company Officer  
Cadet Company Commander.  
Cadet Platoon Commanders.

Major C. C. Shaw, R.C.A.  
Capt. W. F. Hasted, M.C., R.E.  
U.O. Eberts, H. L.  
J.U.O. Campbell, E. D.  
J.U.O. Elliott, R. M.  
C.S.M. Rolph, F. B.  
C.Q.M.S. Odlum, V. E. C.

Cadet Co. Sergeant Major.  
Cadet Co. Quartermaster Sergeant.

It is doubtful whether the flag has crossed the square oftener than it has this year. Competition has been exceptionally keen. Every branch of sport has been very evenly contested, and consequently each event resulted in a change of the championship pennant.

The Inter-Platoon Basketball was played to a three-cornered tie, which was finally won by Beer.

This loss was balanced, however, by “Ack” winning the Inter-Company Basketball, thanks to the exceptional team work on the part of all our players.

As soon as we had ice, “Beer” again forged ahead, winning both Inter-Company and Inter-Platoon Hockey. Despite Beer’s confidence, we came within an ace of winning the former. “Lou” Clarke and “Windy” Smith played the game of their lives. In fact, the whole team played an unselfish and unsparing game, and although they lost, it was only by a hair’s breadth.

The Gym. was another victory for us. Good work, “Soup” !! You and your team were better than ever.

As the snow arrived earlier than usual last autumn, the soccer had to be played off this spring. Again both Platoon and Company games were very close indeed. “Beer” won the former, while the latter was “Ack’s” victory after twenty minutes of overtime play. Once again “Soup” Campbell and “Vic” Odlum deserve special mention.

As yet the Boxing, Dundonald Competition, and Mounted Sports have to take place. Both companies’ chances are equally good on paper. But with the vim and spirit displayed by “Ack” in former events, we should easily pull through.

We were glad to hear that No. 1920, G.C. McAvity, J. L., IV Class, has been selected for this year’s Bisley Team. Our best wishes go with him.

To say that we have had a very successful year would be to express it mildly. All ranks have co-operated to give their best to both sport and work. Now that exams. are over, we have more time to devote to coming events. We are on the home stretch, “Ack” Let’s go !!

H. L. EBERTS.



## “B” COMPANY NOTES.

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Company Commander.

Lt.-Col. R. O. Alexander, D.S.O., The  
R.C.R.

Company Officer.

Lieut. A. B. Sullivan, 16/5 Lancers.

Cadet Company Commander.

U.O. Tremain, K. H.

Cadet Platoon Commanders.

J.U.O. Smith, H. C.

J.U.O. Smith, D. C.

Cadet Co. Sergeant Major.

C.S.M. Hodson, J. C.

Cadet Co. Quartermaster Sergeant.

C.Q.M.S. Osler, G. S.

Since the last issue of the “Review” the flag has changed hands many times, and never before has the competition between the two companies been so keen. “A” Company seemed to have a firm hold on the flag until the hockey came along. No. 4 Platoon won the Platoon league, and a few days later we won the Inter-Company game by a score of 5 to 4. It was a good game, and, although “Beer” was always in the lead, we were not sure of the result until the final whistle blew. We had also had another victory in the Platoon Basketball, when No. 3 Platoon showed “Ack” that it was better than either of the teams it could produce. Thus it was that, although “Ack” won the Inter-Company Basketball, the flag came back to “Beer.” It felt more at home on this side of the square, but we lost it once again when “A” Company won the Gymnastic competition by seven points. “B” Company was by no means disgraced by this, and the whole team did well.

The next event was the Platoon Soccer, which No. 4 Platoon ably won, giving us the flag once again. Soon after our victory, however, we lost the company soccer match by 4-3. Once again “Beer,” although beaten, was not disgraced, and lost the game in the overtime only.

Throughout the year the competition between the companies has been most keen, and all the events have been close and most interesting. “A” Company now has the much sought after emblem, but with good “old Beer” pulling together, we feel sure that we shall finish strong. We hope to put up a good show in the Boxing and in the Mounted Sports, and in the Donald Cup race we feel “Beer” will be well represented. Although not an Inter-Company event, the best shot badge has come to “Beer” by G. C. Blaikie’s good shooting. Congratulations, Reid!

All ranks have worked hard during the year, and we find that it has gone by far too quickly. Here’s wishing you the best of luck next year and the years to come, “Beer.”

K. H. TREMAIN.

# THE DEFENCE SIDE OF THE IMPERIAL CONFERENCE, 1926

Notes on a lecture delivered at the College by

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## GENERAL REMARKS AND PLAN OF WORKS CONFERENCE.

1. The consensus of opinion of those who have attended or studied Imperial Conferences is that the one just concluded was the most successful of the twelve which have been held.

2. Other Empires have passed away because they lacked the proper spirit of Empire which the British race possesses in such a marked degree. The spirit of Empire never burned more brightly than at present, and this is due—

i) To the fact that the Empire is resting upon the enduring foundations of loyalty, justice and self-government, and

(ii) To the beneficial results of frequent consultations in order that co-operation of each part may be woven into the fabric of Empire for the common good of the whole.

3. An Imperial Conference is most inspiring to those in attendance. Such a gathering includes Statesmen, Diplomats, Sailors, Soldiers and Airmen from each integral part of the Empire, all working earnestly to strengthen the many bonds binding the Empire together. This whole-hearted co-operation results in successful deliberations benefiting the Empire in particular and the world at large.

4. When a soldier is a student of "Grand Strategy" (as distinct from Logistical), he must understand the political and economic as well as the military factors in any given problem. Nevertheless, it is not part of his duty to give opinions upon the political and economic results of the recent conference. Therefore, any comments made will refer to Defence only.

5. The Conference gave much consideration to the question of Defence and to the methods by which the defence arrangements of each part of the Empire could be most effectively co-ordinated.

6. To the Statesman, Diplomatist and Soldier, alike, there is no more interesting problem or fascinating study than the Defence of our Empire, and none more important for them to give much thought to. All aspects of this vital question of security were considered during the course of the Conference. Changing world conditions, as in Russia and China, necessitate frequent reviews of the insurance of the interests and safety of the subjects of the British Empire in all parts of the world.

7. The strength, efficiency, armament and distribution of the Defence Forces of the Empire must be carefully revised periodically so as to ensure that all dangers are warded off or avoided as they arise. As the British Empire has set an example to the world in reduction of armed forces, it is imperative that the forces maintained be the most highly trained and best equipped

in the world. Co-operation is the key-word for the prosperity as well as for the security of the Empire. Co-operation between the various parts for the benefit of the whole depends upon communication by sea, land and air, so naturally, much attention was given to their development and protection.

8. The Prime Minister of Great Britain gave an opening address on Defence in which he reviewed the formation and functions of a Cabinet committee, known as the Committee of Imperial Defence, which is an advisory and consultative body of which he is Chairman. The main duty of this Committee is to co-ordinate the work of the three Services and the other Government Departments. Meetings of the Committee of Imperial Defence were held during the Conference to consider questions of common interest.

The Prime Minister spoke of the work of the Chiefs of Staff Committee and the formation of the Imperial Defence College.

9. Meetings took place at the Admiralty, War Office and Air Ministry. The trend of military thought and opinion concerning the world situation and Empire Defence was given by the Chiefs of Staff and experts of the Services concerned. The situation from the standpoint of the Government of Great Britain was explained in detail.

10. Demonstrations by the three branches of the Service were given, notably the Naval Review off Portland; the Army Mechanical Display at Camberley, and the Air Operations at Croyden and Cardington. These were interesting from the point of view of defence, showing the employment of the most up-to-date weapons of defence, and revealing the latest technical developments in Naval armament, Mechanical traction, and in Aviation, Military and Civil. Some of these developments have their application to civilian purposes.

11. I paid visits to as many military educational and training centres as time permitted, so as to obtain the latest ideas for the benefit of the Canadian Forces.

12. The Conference, with its addresses, demonstrations and discussions, was of great practical worth, constituting an experience of distinct educational value. All the Governments of the Empire must have received much assistance through the information obtained in the determination of their policies of defence.

13. All were inspired to work enthusiastically for the safety and prosperity of our Empire, which is the greatest power for good and for peace, in the world to-day.

14. The resolutions of the 1923 Conference were re-affirmed, and these were as follows:—

### Resolutions

1. The Conference affirms that it is necessary to provide for the adequate defence of the territories and trade of the several countries comprising the British Empire.

2. In this connection the Conference expressly recognizes that it is for the Parliaments of the several parts of the Empire, upon the recommendations of their respective Governments, to decide the nature and extent of any action which should be taken by them.

3. Subject to this provision, the Conference suggests the following as guiding principles:—

(a) The primary responsibility of each portion of the Empire represented at the Conference for its own local defence.

(b) Adequate provision for safeguarding the maritime communications of the several parts of the Empire and the routes and waterways along and through which their armed forces and trade pass.

(c) The provision of Naval bases and facilities for repair and fuel so as to ensure the mobility of the fleets.

(d) The desirability of the maintenance of a minimum standard of Naval strength, namely, equality with the Naval strength of any foreign power, in accordance with the provisions of the Washington Treaty on Limitation of Armament as approved by Great Britain, all the self-governing Dominions, and India.

(e) The desirability of the development of the Air Forces in the several countries of the Empire upon such lines as will make it possible, by means of the adoption as far as practicable, of a common system of organization and training and the use of uniform manuals, patterns of arms, equipment and stores (with the exception of the type of aircraft), for each part of the Empire as it may determine to co-operate with other parts with the least possible delay and the greatest efficiency.

4. In the application of these principles to the several parts of the Empire concerned the Conference takes note of—

(a) The deep interest of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Dominion of New Zealand, and India, in the provision of a Naval Base at Singapore, as essential for ensuring the mobility necessary to provide for the security of the territories and trade of the Empire in Eastern waters.

(b) The necessity for the maintenance of safe passage along the great route to the East, through the Mediterranean and the Red Sea.

(c) The necessity for the maintenance by Great Britain of a Home Defence Air Force of sufficient strength to give adequate protection against air attack by the strongest air force within striking distance of her shores.

5. The Conference while deeply concerned for the paramount importance of providing for the safety and integrity of all parts of the Empire, earnestly desires so far as is

consistent with this consideration, the further limitation of armaments, and trusts that no opportunity may be lost to promote this object.

7. A Summary of the conclusions reached, by 1926 Conference, as follows:—

### Summary

1. The Imperial Conference regrets that it has not been possible to make greater progress with the international reduction and limitation of armaments referred to in these Resolutions. It is the common desire of the Governments represented at this Conference to do their utmost in pursuit of this object so far as this is consistent with the safety and integrity of all parts of the Empire and its communications.

2. The Conference recognizes that, even after a large measure of reduction and limitation of armaments has been achieved, a considerable effort will be involved in order to maintain the minimum standard of naval strength contemplated in the Washington Treaty on Limitation of Armament, namely, equality with the naval strength of any foreign power. It has noted the statements set forth by the Admiralty as to the coming years for the replacement of warships, as they become obsolete, by up-to-date ships.

3. Impressed with the vital importance of ensuring the security of the world-wide trade routes upon which the safety and welfare of all parts of the Empire depend, the representatives of Australia, New Zealand, and India note with special interest the steps already taken by His Majesty's Government in Great Britain to develop the Naval Base at Singapore, with the object of facilitating the free movement of the Fleets. In view of the heavy expenditure involved, they welcome the spirit of co-operation shown in the contributions made with the object of expediting this work.

4. The Conference observes that steady progress has been made in the direction of organizing military formations in general on similar lines; in the adoption of similar patterns of weapons; and in the interchange of Officers between different parts of the Empire; it invites the Governments concerned to consider the possibility of extending these forms of co-operation and of promoting further consultation between the respective General Staffs on defence questions adjudged of common interest.

5. (a) The Conference takes note with satisfaction of the substantial progress that has been made since 1923 in building up the Air Forces and resources of the several parts of the Empire.

(b) Recognizing that the fullest mobility is essential to the effective and economical employment of air power, the Conference recommends, for the consideration of the several Governments, the adoption of the following principle:—

The necessity for creating and maintaining an adequate chain of air bases and refueling stations.



(c) Impressed with the desirability of still closer co-ordination in this as in all other Spheres of common interest, and in particular with the advantages which should follow from a more general dissemination of the experience acquired in the use of this new arm under the widely varying conditions which obtain in different parts of the Empire, the Conference recommends for consideration by the Governments interested the adoption in principle of a system of mutual interchange of individual officers for liaison and other duties, and of complete air units, so far as local requirements and resources permit.

6. The Conference recognizes that the defence of India, already throws upon the Government of India responsibilities of a specially onerous character and takes note of their decision to create a Royal Indian Navy.

7. The Conference notes with satisfaction that considerable progress in the direction of closer co-operation in Defence matters has been effected by the reciprocal attachment of naval, military and Air Force officers to the Staff Colleges and other technical establishments maintained in various parts of the Empire, and invites the attention of the Governments represented to the facilities afforded by the new Imperial Defence in London for the education of officers in the broadest aspects of strategy.

8. The Conference takes note of the developments in the organization of the Committee of Imperial Defence since the session of 1923. It invites the attention of the Governments represented at the Conference to the following resolutions adopted, at a meeting of the committee of Imperial Defence held on the 30th May, 1911, in connection with the Imperial Conference of that year:—

“(1) That one or more representatives appointed by the respective Governments of the Dominions should be invited to attend meetings of the Committee of Imperial Defence when questions of naval and military defence affecting the Oversea Dominions are under consideration.

(2) The proposal that a Defence Committee should be established in each Dominion is accepted in principle. The Constitution of these Defence Committees is a matter for each Dominion to decide.”

#### THE NAVAL DISPLAY OFF PORTLAND

8. My remarks on the senior service will be brief. The main features and exercises were as follows:—

(a) Passage through a mine field with aid of Mine sweepers and the laying of mines by Mine Layers.

(b) Work of submarines. Torpedo attack by submarines and the use of fast destroyers and depth charges to meet it.

(c) Torpedo attack launched from Destroyers.

(d) Use of aircraft — Aeroplanes. Sea-planes off Carrier (H.M.S. Furious) and flying boats in co-operation with the Fleet.

It is not understood why Aircraft was not used—

(i) To locate the submarines and attack them;

(ii) Carry out torpedo attacks, and

(iii) Observe the firing practice which took place.

(e) Target practice by three battle cruisers. The result of this was disappointing as the shooting was not good—even allowing that the range was nearly 10 miles. Aircraft was not used for observation of fire and the target was undamaged at the end of the practice—most of the salvos fell quite a distance short. It is understood, however, that on grounds of economy this was the first big-gun practice carried out by the ships concerned for several years.

(f) Use of smoke as screen from Destroyers was demonstrated in an effective manner.

(g) No demonstration of Anti-Aircraft gun-fire against Sleeve targets towed by Aircraft was given. One expected that this would have been included owing to its great importance.

#### DEMONSTRATION OF TANKS AND OTHER CROSS-COUNTRY VEHICLES

1. To me this was the most instructive of the demonstrations given for the benefit of the members of the Conference. It was carried out under weather conditions of rain, and over muddy and hilly ground which left little doubt of the efficiency and reliability of the machines used. . .

2. It was made clear that great progress has been made in the evolution of tanks, tractors, and cross-country vehicles. Any nation which neglects the mechanization of its forces will be seriously handicapped in the event of war.

3. The most spectacular feature was the charge down a hill through a copse, of six tanks, each tank striking and breaking off several trees and literally cutting a swarth through the woods.

#### MECHANIZATION

The first great tactical surprise of the war was the enormous defensive power of modern firearms, rifles, machine guns and artillery. All arms had been training for offensive warfare, but, within a few weeks of its outbreak, so costly had the attack become that trenches were dug on every battlefield, and when once the entire front had become entrenched and wired, the supreme problem which faced all sides was the reinstatement of mobility.

Solutions to this problem were attempted through increased gun fire, the use of lethal gas and the re-introduction of armour in the form of the Tank. Of these three solutions the third proved itself by far the most economical in money and man-power as well as the most effective. The development of Tanks grew from small beginnings until the battles of Cambrai, Hemel and Amiens placed their value beyond reasoned criticism.

The Battle of Amiens was the greatest British tank battle of the war, and was fought on 8th August, 1918. In all, close on 600 tanks were assembled of which 415 went into action on the first day. The whole of the German position was over-run to the depth of  $7\frac{1}{2}$  miles, and armoured cars were passed through the trench lines to attack the rear of the German armies. On the first day of this battle our casualties numbered a little under 1,000 all ranks and by the 17th, 22,000 prisoners and 400 guns were captured. Ludendorff christened 8th August "The Black Day of the German Army."

From 8th August onwards to the end of the war tanks were used on every possible occasion, but their numbers were totally insufficient to meet the demands made on them. They had become essential to the Infantry attacks and an Infantry attack unsupported by these machines was always costly and frequently ineffective. When attacked by them Infantry had, and still have, no option but to scatter.

The demand for tanks was so great that the War Office programme for 1919 aimed at an output of 8,000 tanks and 10,000 cross country vehicles. The fear of them had become so overwhelming that, in September, 1918, Ludendorff issued an order requiring all guns of all calibres to fire on tanks directly they appeared, and even on the areas in which they were reported. In 1921, General Von Zwehl, in his book "Die Schlachten in Sommer 1918 an der West Front," says: "It was not the genius of Marshall Foch that defeated us but General Tank." This is, perhaps, the highest compliment ever paid to this remarkable British weapon.

The eight years which have followed the close of the war have been devoted almost entirely to experimental work, for neither money nor knowledge has been sufficient to warrant extensive production. The problem has been a dual one:—

- (a) To build machines which will enable a force of men to be moved cross country under the protection of armour, and to be supplied by vehicles which can closely follow the fighting cars.
- (b) To base production, so far as this is possible, on a commercial foundation so that civil supply may in wartime, meet military demands.

This problem has been complicated by the fact that strategical commitments forbid a rapid change in our existing military organization. Experiments have consequently been directed along two channels, first to reinforce and strengthen the existing Arms; secondly, gradually to place them on a mechanical footing.

#### Comments on Mechanization

1. One of the chief draw-backs of Mechanical transport is its inability to cross streams and rivers deeper than 2 ft. 6 ins. The Hathi lorry can do a bit better than the other vehicles, but it is clear that suitable bridges must be provided.

2. When the most suitable vehicles have been evolved and taken into use, it will be possible to take about 28 lbs. off the Cavalry horse and a very considerable poundage off the Infantry soldier.

3. The expense involved will retard the mechanization of the Army.

4. Tanks are unlikely to be numerous upon the outbreak of war, so their employment on independent missions can seldom be justified. Further developments will alter matters but for the present, tanks must be employed in co-operation with other arms.

5. In an attack, tanks must be used to assist the Infantry to gain their objective, but not launched before the centre of resistance is located. They should be supported by Artillery and Small Arm Fire. In Defence, they should be used as a Reserve. They should not be dissipated, but used in concentrated bodies.

6. R/T intercommunication between the cars of an Armoured Car Company is now a normal feature of their work (this is true of tanks also). Special precautions must be taken to defend columns against A.C. attacks, even though their role is mostly reconnaissance. Blocking of roads and employment of small units on motor cycles are useful counters.

7. It is hard to foresee whether or not the Armies of the future will fight solely in "land ships." One factor to consider is whether or not an antidote to tanks can be found by way of a suitable light Q.F. (3-pounder) Gun, or heavy Machine Gun. It is certain that the mobility of the land forces will be greatly increased by the mechanization of transport, thereby enabling the load on the horse to be lightened by 28 lbs, and that on the Infantryman by 10 lbs.

8. The progress being made is interesting. The French now have the Division Legere—a form of embussed Division, complete in guns and 1st Line Transport.

In England mechanization has been carried out in—

- (a) Several Artillery Brigades.
- (b) Divisional Trains.
- (c) Divisional Ammunition Companies.
- (d) Anti-Aircraft Brigades.

9. It is likely that the next stages will be:

- (a) Horsed 1st Line Transport replaced by 6-wheeled light lorry (30 cwt.).
- (b) Artillery other than Divisional and then Divisional.
- (c) Test of a special Mechanized Force under Colonel Fuller, consisting of:—
  - 1 Infantry Battalion in lorries;
  - 1 Infantry Battalion organized as a Machine Gun Unit;
  - 1 Tank Battn. suitable for work with Infantry;
  - 1 Brigade of motor-drawn Artillery.

10. (a) It is time that Canada made a start in Mechanization. The experimental work carried out in Great Britain has been very successful, and the experience gained is at our disposal. Six Light Tanks, Mark I. would be sufficient for the training of in-

structional personnel and for combined training.

(b) One of the Batteries of the Permanent Force—3rd Medium Battery, Kingston—should be mechanized as soon as possible. These tractors could be used at our Artillery Training camps and horse hire saved.

#### 10.—Aircraft Displays at Croydon, Felixstone and Cardington

Croydon is a large commercial aerodrome south of London. The aircraft on exhibition were military and commercial types.

A comparison of the types shown with those of the 1923, made it clear that considerable progress had been made in both classes. Metal construction (except wings) was more in evidence as were multi-engined machines. Perhaps the most interesting item on the programme was the manoeuvre of a Squadron of Grebe Scouts by the Squadron Leader, using wireless telephony. The troop Carriers designed chiefly for Iraq were very fine looking machines. The direction of Aircraft in fog or darkness by wireless, the Aircraft Lighthouses, the tailless aeroplane and the light aeroplane, "The Moth" flown by a lady, were some of the interesting events.

#### 11.—Seaplane Base—Felixstowe

This is the Experimental Testing Station for seaplanes and flying boats.

A detailed description of the craft seen will not be attempted, as they were so numerous and varied in type, from the Gloucester Seaplane, with a speed of 240 miles per hour, to the largest flying boats, such as the Southampton, which are capable of accompanying the fleet to sea.

Some of the types seen would be quite suitable for our work in Canada, but no better than the Vedette, Varuna and Vista, developed and made in Canada.

A High Speed "Flight" has been formed at Felixstowe, to develop fast types and high efficiency engines, also to train pilots in this class of flying.

#### 12.—Airship Headquarters—Cardington

In view of the fact that the Prime Minister of Canada has signified his approval of the erection of a Mooring Mast in Canada and the probable establishment of an Airship Service within a few years, with the first test flight in the Summer of 1928, this visit was of great interest.

An exhibition flight was carried out with the R.33 which carried 2 Grebe Scouts slung underneath.

The opportunity was taken of going into the particulars of the Mooring Mast and personnel needed for its operation.

The Air Ministry is willing to send an expert to Canada to help us select a suitable site.

A conference was subsequently held in London on 25th November with the experts, and the plans and detail of steps for the erection of the Mast were arranged.

#### 13.—Anti-Aircraft School—Biggin Hill

The visit to this school was time well spent. Considerable progress has been made in Anti-Aircraft gunnery since the war. The

methods employed and instruments used are much better than formerly. Nevertheless aircraft flying at 16,000 feet and over at speeds varying from 100 to 200 miles per hour and changing direction at short intervals, are not likely to suffer much from anti-aircraft fire.

There are nine factors and steps necessary on the engagement of Aircraft by Artillery:—

1. Calibration of guns.
2. Determination of Height.
3. Fuse prediction.
4. Vertical Deflection.
5. Lateral Deflection.
- (New instruments being used for Nos. 3, 4 and 5).
6. Wind allowance—Vertical and Lateral.
7. Sight Setting—V.D., L.D., and fuse setting.
8. Laying of Sights.
9. Time.

The gunners claim to be able to average one hit per hundred rounds at heights below 16,000 ft., but I am of the opinion that their estimate is unduly optimistic.

Aircraft is still the best protection against Aircraft. The new organizations, the Anti-Aircraft Brigades, which are being formed, consist of Artillery and Engineer units. Artillery for the guns, and the Engineers for searchlights, and detection or location wireless instruments. Most of these Brigades belong to the Territorial Army. The system of defence of British Isles against aircraft was thoroughly explained to us. It is one of the most serious and difficult problems with which the Military authorities have to deal.

### AVIATION

#### 1.—Military.

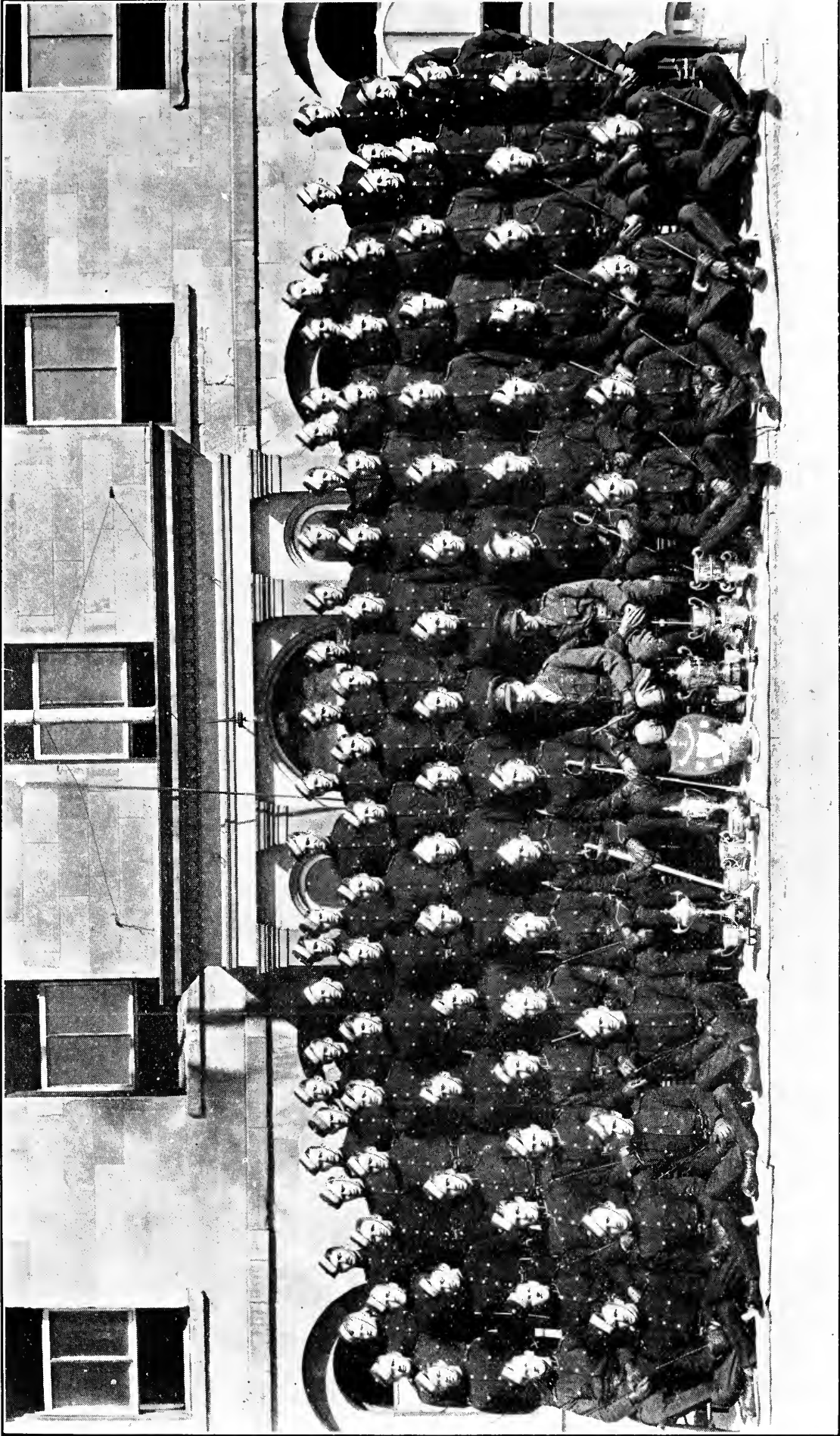
(a) **Reconnaissance.** Recent tests have shown that even Staff Officers with considerable flying experience only see a portion of what a trained pilot will see on an Air Reconnaissance. Therefore, if a reconnaissance of a specially secret nature affecting future plans is to be carried out, it is better for the Commander to take a selected pilot into his confidence, rather than employ a Staff Officer. Staff Officers should carry out air reconnaissances of ground when an appreciation of the situation is required.

(b) **Other Arms Needed for Reconnaissance.** Aircraft cannot be depended upon for reconnaissance in bad weather. Therefore, Cavalry and Armoured Cars will have to be used under such circumstances.

(c) **Aircraft attacks on columns should be carried out in:—**

- (i) Defiles where congestion is likely;
- (ii) Straight stretches where planes can fly up and down the Column, using their Machine Guns and bombs effectively;
- (iii) Places where trees and woods limit the field of fire of Small Arms.
- (d) **Defence Measures Against Aircraft.**
  - (i) Escort of aircraft should be provided;
  - (ii) Picquet route with Anti-aircraft Lewis Guns in pairs 700' apart, using

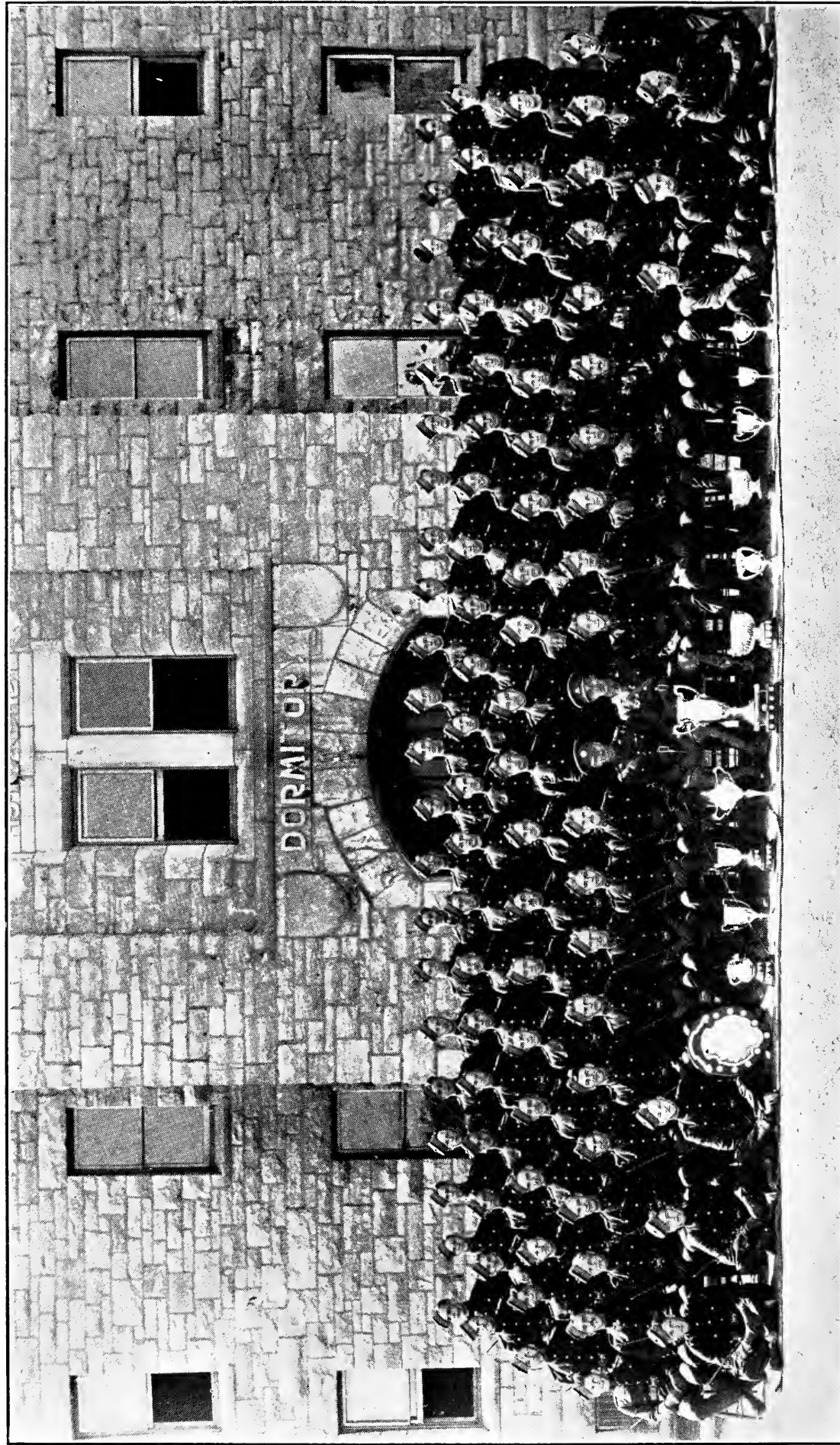




"A" COMPANY, 1926-27

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Company Officer: Capt. W. F. Ilsted, M.C., R.E.; Cadet Co. Commander: U. O. Eberts, H. L.



"B" COMPANY, 1926-27

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Company Officer: Lieut. A. B. Sullivan, 16/5 Lancers; Cadet Co. Commander: U. O. Tremain, K. H.

the guns allotted to Battalion Headquarters:—Advocate Machine Guns on motor cycles.

(iii) Each Infantry Brigade should be made responsible for part of Column when on move.

(iv) Mobile Anti-Aircraft guns to accompany Column.

(c) Use of Aircraft in Defence is growing rapidly in importance.

2.—Civil.

(a) Developments.

(i) An aeroplane in England broke the speed record the other day, doing 276 miles per hour—and—

(ii) A non-stop flight of 32 hours has recently been made from Paris to Jansk in Persia, a distance of 3,390 miles.

(iii) Carrying of mails and passengers is increasing in all countries.

(iv) Numerous uses being found for aircraft as in aerial survey, forestry protection, timber cruising, crop spraying, etc.

The above facts prove that Civil Aviation is making steady progress.

(b) Relation of Civil Aviation to Military Aviation

It is important to remember that Civil Aviation as it develops will ease greatly the task and expense of establishing a Military Air Force with its reserves of personnel and machines. So closely are Military and Civil Aviation related that the French and Germans are agreed that they should be classed together when disarmament is being considered.

Civil Aviation helps Military Aviation by:

(i) Providing a reserve of Pilots and Mechanics.

(ii) Establishing plants for the manufacture of aircraft.

(iii) Providing a reserve of machines for transportation of troops, bombing, survey, etc.

(iv) Organization of Air Routes; Aerodromes and Air Ports so as to give mobility to the Air Forces of the Empire.

(v) Commercial Airships can be used as Aeroplane carriers.

(c) Future Developments.

(i) Civil and Military aspects of aviation are inextricably connected.

(ii) The developmet of Air Lines for aeroplanes, seaplanes and airships is a vital factor in the problem of establishing Civil Aviation upon a sound basis and in the problem of Defence. Air Harbours, aerodromes and organized routes give mobility to Civil and Military craft alike.

(iii) Canada and the whole Empire is in need of better aerial communications. In order to improve this situation, a sustained and united effort is required.

(iv) In Canada we can assist materially the development of our country by establishing aviation, Civil and Military, upon a sound basis, and this will be a valuable contribution to our defence, and to that of the rest of the Empire.

Experimental Station—Porton

There appears to be little, if any, doubt but that Chemicals and Gas will be employed in future warfare. A modern Army would be seriously handicapped if it was untrained in Defence measures, and also in Offensive, for as yet, no Nations have bound themselves not to use gas.

Canadian personnel should be sent over to England to take the Course at Porton in Defensive Measures, and the "C" Wing of the C.S.A.S. should be organized as soon as possible.

The manufacture of respirators in Canada should be considered at an early date. The rubber part of the new respirators can be made by Rubber Companies, but the assembly should be under Military control.

Some of the interesting things noticed during my visit were:—

(a) Sample of gas proof chamber for civilian population.

(b) Presence of Mustard Gas shown by special paint.

(c) A man fully protected against Mustard Gas can only work half an hour with full kit on.

(d) Navigation Smoke Bomb.—Smoke Bomb dropped from plane to show direction of wind on ground.

(e) Lachrymatory Bomb for training in Defensive Measures.

(f) Vertical Smoke Screen laid by aeroplane.

CONCLUSION

1. There are three ways of treating defence:

(a) Wait until war comes and pay the full price in blood, treasure, and possibly freedom if victory is lost.

(b) Try to prepare hurriedly at great cost and waste when war is imminent.

(c) Build and change our system of defence according to a programme year by year.

2. The last method should receive our earnest support as it is the only sensible way of dealing with the question.

3. The National Defence Forces of Canada can be organized, equipped, trained and mobilized without loss of time, without waste, and without confusion, if detailed plans are prepared beforehand. These forces will meet their responsibilities successfully if they are equipped with modern weapons, trained upon sound lines, and put into battle by skilled staffs in accordance with flexible defence schemes prepared in peace time. Progressive programmes of expenditure can spread the cost of this insurance over whatever period of years is considered safe and desirable by the government.

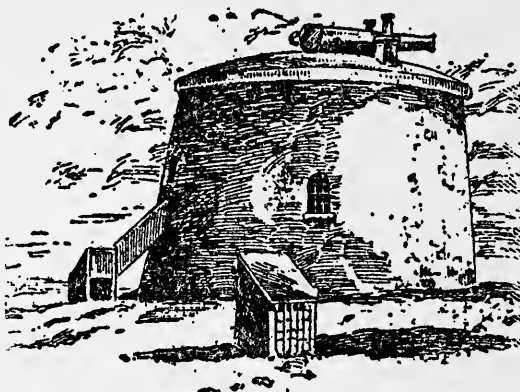
4. Until all the world is brought to the belief that wars are unnecessary, until all people become good neighbors (and do not steal water from each other) until the true Christian spirit predominates in practice, and not only in speech, we had better take the advice of a great U. S. citizen who said "Speak softly, carry a big club and you will go far."



6. We are not a Military Nation, but we are a rich one and undefended wealth invites aggression. We need a balanced force of the three Services, modern, capable of defending us on land, sea and in the air. Co-operation with the other parts of the Empire reduces the cost of defence to all concerned. Let us take the advice given in

the Bible by the Prince of Peace who said:—

"When a strong man armed keepeth his palace his goods are in peace. If the good man of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched, and not have suffered his house to be broken through. *Be Ye therefore prepared.*"



## THE WEST POINT VISIT, 1927

**T**HE U. S. M. A. hockey team came up from West Point on Saturday, February 19th. The party consisted of three officers, Major Sassy, Lieut. Molliter, and 2nd Lieut. Sloane, and fourteen cadets, Pedicord, Harkins, Wohlforth, Lewis, Lindquist, Muscatelli, MacNamara, Oakes, Simonton, Cox, Thiebaud, Browning, Sawyer and Daly.

The party arrived about 2 p.m. on a bitter day. They were greeted by their own yells from the entire College drawn up on the square to meet them. The manager, who arrived early, received a cheer all to himself. The cadets were scattered around the companies by twos and threes and made quite at home. From four to seven there was a tea-dance, from which the actual players were sent off early to get a rest. A local orchestra played, and "the lights shone o'er fair women and brave men." Quite a number of out-of-town girls came up for the occasion, but the belles of the afternoon were local ladies, or so some say.

The game, of which an account will be found elsewhere in this issue, was played at the Jock Harty Arena in the evening. A considerable crowd was present, including most of the officialdom of Kingston. The Arena was decorated with American, British and Canadian flags, and the R. C. H. A. band was in attendance.

After the game the "Kaydets" returned to the College and had what might be termed a "bump" supper, after which they went downtown again to parties or visits which lasted well into the evening.

In the morning church parade was held in Currie Hall, with the West Point cadets present. Afterwards groups were photographed. All then repaired to the N. C. O. room, where an impromptu sing-song was held until they had to leave to catch their train. At one time it was doubtful if they would get away at all owing to the snowdrifts which were beginning to accumulate. However, they got away safely, and we hope that they were not too discouraged by the weather to repeat their visit here in the future. We do not expect to meet a much nicer lot of men for a very long time.

A. J. KERRY

## LONG COURSE

The Long Course, the primary object of which is the qualification of officers of the Non-Permanent Active Militia desiring appointment in the Permanent Force, commenced this year on Monday, the 21st February. The course will be continued for a period of about three months, probably terminating the end of May.

The undermentioned officers are attending the course:—

Lieut. J. P. deS. Laterriere, 11th Hussars.  
Lieut. L. M. Taschereau, G.G.F.G.

The undermentioned officers of the Permanent Force are attending the course as a refresher:—

Lieut. W. L. Laurie, R.C.C.S.  
Lieut. H. E. Taber, R.C.C.S.  
Lieut. C. Sandford, R.C.C.S.  
Lieut. H. A. Young, R.C.C.S.  
Lieut. K. G. McCullagh, R.C.C.S.  
Lieut. W. H. Macklin, R.C.C.S.  
Lieut. F. N. Ovens, R.C.C.S.  
Lieut. R. J. Burgess, R.C.C.S.

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## VISITORS TO THE COLLEGE.

Major J. V. Delahaye, D.S.O., M.C., Royal Artillery, and Officer of the Educational Section of the Staff Duties Directorate at the War Office, visited the College while on a tour with the object of obtaining information regarding the various systems of military training and education in other countries.

Colonel T. V. Anderson, D.S.O., R.C.E., Director of Military Training.

Colonel J. S. Brown, C.M.G., D.S.O., L.S.H. (R.C.), Director of Military Operations and Intelligence.

Colonel R. J. Orde, Judge Advocate General.

Lieut.-Colonel E. Ford, D.S.O., Assistant Director of Signals.

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## T. C. S. VISIT

Following the custom of the past few years, Trinity College School, Port Hope, sent up a gymnastic team to compete against the cadets. They arrived about noon on Friday, March 18th, 1927, and were taken charge of for the afternoon by T. C. S. Old Boys. The competition took place in the evening. The T. C. S. team, although they were lacking in the finished style which their older opponents showed throughout, made an extremely good showing. Their instructor is to be highly complimented on the very high standard of work which was produced. The only apparent differences were the little finishing touches possessed by the cadets due to longer practice. R. M. C. won the competition by 700 points to 662. The visitors slept overnight in "B" Company, and messed with the cadets, returning to Port Hope by the noon train on Saturday.

R. M. C.—H. C. Smith, Campbell, Rolph, Hodson, Odlum, Buell, Mackay, Pollard, Kingsmill, Blaikie.

T. C. S.—Lazier, Fyshe, Croll, Ardagh, Beatty, Medd, Newman, Lucas, Wallbridge, Wily.

A. J. KERRY.

# ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE OF CANADA

“Truth, Duty, Valour.”

By Major-General G. Walker, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., late Royal Engineers.

**T**HIS is the Jubilee year (1926) of the Royal Military College, Kingston, Canada, and it has been suggested to me that, as I have some personal knowledge of the very early days at the College, and as the institution has been intimately connected with the Corps, I might write a few notes of those days. I have accepted the responsibility with some diffidence as I am not a graduate of the College. Yet, as one who was very closely connected with one of the first R. E. Officers on the College Staff, and, as I have, I think, a legitimate pride in that relationship, seeing how well the foundations of the institution were laid, I feel I am justified in my temerity.

That the College is and has been a great Imperial asset is, I think incontrovertible, when one looks back on the long line of distinguished British officers it has produced; men who have gallantly upheld the honour of the Empire, of their own homeland, and of their Alma Mater. It must not be overlooked also that the fame of this institution does not rest alone upon the exploits of its graduates who entered the Imperial Army. The history of Canada is full of the names of distinguished administrators, engineers and soldiers who owe their initiation into life to the old College.

The R. M. College of Canada was opened at Kingston, Ontario, in 1876. The first batch of cadets numbered 18, who went by the name of the “old 18.” Some of them were elderly, I imagine, as I remember the Senior Cadet of that term well. His name was Homfray Irving. He was a small man, and his mutton-chop whiskers, eyeglass and general appearance of solemnity and sedateness impressed me much, as it possibly did others. I wonder if I malign him, he could only have been about 20, but then I was only 8. At the recent Jubilee celebrations he, with three others of the “old eighteen,” unveiled a commemoration tablet.

The cadets who took commissions in the British Army from this term were, as far as I remember—A. B. Perry, R.E. (He broke his leg before joining, and that so badly that he resigned his commission the following year, though he has lived to be the distinguished Commissioner of the North-West Mounted Police, and after distinguished service in the War is now a Major-General); C. O. Fairbank was the Gunner; Wise went into the 13th Hussars; Frere went into the Infantry. When Perry retired, his vacancy in the Corps was given to A. H. Van Straubenzee, now retired as a Colonel. He belonged to the 2nd Batch and had been originally commissioned in the 101st Foot, later the Royal Munster Fusiliers, from which he was transferred to the Royal Engineers, vice Perry. The second batch at the College was headed by H. B. Mackay, who became a Royal Engineer. He was, I think, the “biggest man” the college possessed in those days, and all who knew him looked upon his early death in Africa as a great loss to the Service and State. W. H. Robinson, who was the next R. E. Graduate, was killed in storming a stockade in West Africa. Lang Hyde, the next, is still with us, but retired.

The above were the first four Sapper Graduates, but they have been followed by many others who have distinguished themselves. To name a few only, Lieutenant-General Sir George Kirkpatrick, now Commanding an Army in India; Major-General Sir Philip G. Twining, Colonel Sir Percy Girouard, Major-Generals Dudley Ridout, A. C. Joly de Lotbiniere, and

Brig-Generals H. C. Nanton, G. S. Cartwright, W. B. Lesslie, and A. E. Panet. Another R. E. Graduate who requires special mention was W. G. Stairs, who was a great African explorer, and accompanied H. M. Stanley on his last expedition. He was subsequently given a captaincy in the Welsh Regiment, and ultimately died in Africa while in command of an expedition for which his services had been lent to the King of the Belgians.

Although this article deals with the College chiefly from the R. E. point of view, it is worthy of note that the College has produced men like Lieut.-General Sir W. Heneker, recently commanding the 3rd Division; Major-General Sir G. Cory, recently Chief of the General Staff in India; Major-General C. Van Straubenzee, now commanding a Territorial Division, and Major-General C. C. Luard, commanding in China.

The original Staff of the College were:—

Colonel E. O. Hewitt, R.E. Commandant. (Later Maj.-General and C.M.G., Commandant S.M.E. and Governor of the "Shop," where he died).

Major J. Bramley Ridout, 90th Light Infantry, Captain of Cadets and later Adjutant and Secretary, as the Cadet Companies increased in number; afterwards well known in civic life at Chatham and father of Sir Dudley Ridout (late R.E.).

Major Edgar Kensington, R.A. Professor of Artillery and Mathematics. (Later very well known at the "Shop" as Professor of Artillery. Father of Lieut.-Col. G. B. Kensington, O.B.E., R.E., retired).

Major Hawkins, R.A. Professor of Fortification. This officer was relieved in 1877 by Lieut. G. R. Walker, R.E. (my father).

Lt.-Col. Oliver, R.A., p.s.c., Professor of Tactics and Topography. Joined in 1877. Succeeded Colonel Hewitt as Commandant.

Mr. Ferguson, Professor of German; M. Duval, Professor of French; and Mr. Forshaw Day, Professor of Drawing.

The Staff gradually grew in numbers. In 1880, Lieut. M. H. P. R. Sankey, R.E., joined as Instructor in Fortification and assistant to Walker. He in later years became celebrated as an Electrical Engineer in England, and was the father of Lt.-Col. C. E. P. Sankey, D.S.O., R.E. (retired). He died in London in 1926. Major "Sammy" Fairtlough, R.A., also joined Kensington, as his assistant, about this time. He died in Sierra Leone, in the nineties of the last century. Mr. Carr-Harris, father of Carr-Harris, R.E., was Professor of Civil Engineering. Mr. Baines was Professor of Science. Sankey left in 1882, and was relieved by Lieut. E. Raban, R.E., now Sir Edward Raban, K.C.B., K.B.E. Walker came home in 1883, and was succeeded by Raban, and Lieut. S. Davidson, R.E., went out in relief.

It is of interest also to note that the first graduate of the College to become Comamndant was Colonel Taylor, p.s.c., Cheshire Regt., in 1905. The first Graduates to become instructors were Lieuts. A. G. Wurtele and J. B. Cochrane, both of the Canadian Army, in or about 1881.

Three members of the Subordinate Staff should be mentioned: firstly, Regimental Sergt.-Major Mortimer, an old Horse Gunner, who had served in the Indian Mutiny, he was a small fiery man; secondly, Sergt. Morgan, of the Scots Guards, the Gym. instructor, who joined in 1877; the third was Sergt.-Major Birtles, R.E., who took Field Works under my father, a man beloved and admired by all, a splendid type of the best that the Corps has produced.

The organization of the College was based on a combination of the systems at the "Shop" and West Point. The youngest age of entry for cadets was 15. The cadets were organized as a battalion of two or three

companies, each with its C.S.M. and Cadet N.C.O.'s., the Senior Cadet being called the Battalion Sergt.-Major. The course was of four years' duration. It was framed to afford a good Civil Engineering and Military Education.

The courses were: Civil Engineering (including a rather detailed course of Railway Construction and Bridging). A large number of the Cadets took up railway engineering as their life's work, and succeeded in it. Girouard first got railway experience in Canada. Military Engineering. Artillery. Tactics and Topography, Civil Surveying and Astronomy. Mathematics (from Arithmetic to Calculus). Chemistry and Physics. Freehand Drawing and Sketching. French. German. Military Drill and Exercises.

As a larger number of Cadets went into civil than into military life, the education aimed at was to give a man a profession in civil life, so that he could earn money at once, and at the same time to lay the foundation well for military service if called upon. The value of this was apparent during the Great War.

My recollection is that the four years' course enabled the instruction in all departments to be very thorough and that the Cadets when leaving were much better equipped for life than those who went through the colleges at home. In fact, a Kingston cadet joining at Chatham in those days had but little to learn technically. They were trained Civil Engineers with an excellent military training also. All they lacked was practical experience.

The status of the Cadet was that of the private soldier. He was in fact an enlisted man and subject to military law like a soldier. In this he differed from his brethren at Woolwich and Sandhurst, who were only subject to their college rules.

The uniform, to use the words of the Army List, was "Scarlet, facings blue." It was very effective. A well laced red tunic for full dress and a red frock for work. The tunic is still retained and looks very smart. An "infantry grey" great coat with a red collar completed the rig.

The head-dresses were: full dress, a white helmet; undress, a round forage cap, similar to that which was worn at Woolwich. In winter the Cadets wore grey astrachan caps and seal-skin gloves. The B.S.M.'s and C.S.M.'s, however, wore astrachan collars to their great coats and astrachan gauntlets. A most effective get up.

When I first knew Kingston (1877), there were only three College buildings. The old "Stone Frigate" block, in which the Cadets lived, had been the winter quarters of the old Naval Establishment, abolished after the war of 1812; the new administrative and educational block, which was just finished, and a gymnasium. There were a couple of Instructors' houses and quarters for servants in the grounds.

The site was ideal, albeit rather treeless and bleak. It was isolated by water from the town and yet was close enough for convenience. There was ample ground for games. The Cadets played both cricket and Rugby football, tennis was in its infancy and golf unknown. They excelled in football; the cricket in those days was only mediocre, I fancy. However, in summer the principal sport was boating and sailing, for which the Lake (Ontario) gave unrivalled facilities. I call it "the Lake," it was really a sea, on which any kind of weather might be expected. As a result, there were few cadets who were not really good watermen. In winter-time there were winter sports of all kinds. Snow shoeing, tobogganing at Fort Henry, skating and ice yachting. The Cadet Battalion used to be drilled on snowshoes on the snow-covered ice; rather a thrilling sight, to see them paddling round like a huge flock of ducks with enormous feet.



I think the discipline amongst the Cadets themselves was high. I have been told that the ceremony of "Initiation" for the last joined was one that could not be trifled with. Otherwise the life was very like the "Shop." Anyhow the result of the system were excellent, and the graduates were turned out tough, reliable and self-reliant members of society. I doubt if you can ask anything more from an educational establishment.

I have said above that the R. M. C., Kingston, is an Imperial asset. I think that anyone who met Canadian troops during the Great War will agree with me. Wherever one met them they were good, and wherever one met them one found Kingston graduates in high positions. The tone of the troops was the tone of Kingston; reliability and self-reliance and the saving grace of humour. I will conclude with one war story of a Canadian officer, who was serving under me in Ypres. He was a graduate of Kingston, and a Mining Engineer, serving with a British Tunnelling Company, R.E. He was a real tiger and feared nothing that walked.

We were having a lot of trouble with water in shafts and galleries, owing to inadequate means of tackling the difficulty. One particular shaft, in one of the brigade areas, was giving a lot of trouble. The Brigadier was as much concerned as I was. In the middle of one very wet night the accursed shaft collapsed, not for the first time, and the Canadian officer went straightway to tell his Brigadier. He arrived at Brigade Headquarters about two a.m., knocked up the Brigade Major and asked to see the General.

When he was introduced into the presence, the Brigadier asked what was up, and received the reply, "General, that 'Goddam' Hole has fallen in again." The Brigade Major, who was rather of the crusted variety, nearly fainted and the Brigadier roared with laughter, and, having refreshed his visitor, dismissed him with some words of encouragement. He christened the youth the "Goddam Fella," by which name he was generally known thereafter.

In conclusion I must acknowledge my indebtedness for some of the details in this paper to Quarter Master and Major T. H. Tennant, O.B.E., R.E. (retired), at whose suggestion, in fact, the article has been written.

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Major General Sir Dudley Ridout has added the following note: General Walker has not mentioned what an extraordinary influence his father had on the cadets and what we all owe to him. All the R.E. Instructors were really "Giants"—and it was to men like Sankey, Walker, Raban, Stuart Davidson that the earlier cadets owe so much.

—Courtesy of the Editor, *R. E. Journal*.

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### THE CHRISTMAS TREE, 1927

This annual entertainment for the families of the Subordinate Staff took place on Wednesday, January, 12th, in the Sir Arthur Currie Hall. As a beginning a series of skits was put on by the 2nd, 3rd and 4th classes. "Black Magic" (2nd), "The Katzenjammer Kids" (3rd), and "In a Restaurant" (4th), were the three that appealed most to the juvenile audience. After the skits were over presents were distributed from the big decorated tree near the stage. Santa Claus (Armstead), suitably and seasonably attired, made his appearance and brought joy to all, ably seconded by Major Kelly, Captain E. J. Harvey, and the trumpeter on duty. After all present had been provided for, refreshments were served in the cadets' mess-rooms. Members of the 1st class acted as hosts and waiters on this occasion, and did their best to send all home contented and satisfied.

A. J. KERRY.

## *The Pill Box Review.*

The annual Minstrel Show has assumed a new name. In the evening of March 23rd the first Pill Box Review was presented to a capacity house in the Sir Arthur Curie Hall.

The well known black-faced comedians were eliminated this year and a number of variety acts, ending with a short play, took their place. King Tut-Ankh-Amen held a reception in the smoking-room of his palace, where a captive slave girl reluctantly entertained his guests with a very pleasing and well executed dance.

"Haig and Haig," a comedy pair, then produced some of the best action of the evening, and undoubtedly drew the most laughter. Two short skits then followed. The first, a drawing room in Kingston, depicted a tea party at which Cadets are warmly welcomed, and everybody behaves very nicely, but we are then shown how an afternoon might pass if every one behaved exactly as he felt. The second was a somewhat free adaptation of Shakespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream," with a few modern improvements.

These various acts were separated by short front-stage "divertissements," in the form of acrobatic dancing on "The Defaulters' Song." The Review was brought to a close by the one act play, "The Bathroom Door," a bright bit of work which offered ample opportunity for female impersonation. It was in this same play that H. R. H. the Prince of Wales played a leading part during his recent world cruise aboard the "Renown."

It was a matter of but a few moments until the Hall was cleared of chairs and the College Orchestra provided music for a short dance. A few of the actors of the evening remained in costume, and during the first dance a very attractive young blonde drew many glances from the visitors, until they discovered that "she" was but a Cadet, quite effectively made up.

Supper was served at midnight, and at one o'clock we had to bid our friends a reluctant good-night. The evening served as a very enjoyable and fitting climax to the long winter term, for the next morning College closed for the spring vacation. On their return the cast maintained the time-honoured custom of entertaining the patients at Rockwood with a performance.

J. F. THRASHER.

### PROGRAMME

#### BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Ivan Orfulitch and Madame Putitova

in their famous ballet

#### TUT-ANKH-AMEN

#### DRAMATIS PERSONAE

Tut-Ankh-Amen, King of Egypt,  
Ivan Orfulitch (J. R. Bethune)  
El Jeffa, a Desert Chief ..... F. X. Chaballe  
El Muta, another of 'em ..... J. H. C. Massie  
Nug-Get, a Nubian slave ..... D. G. O'Brien

#### AND

Am-All-Set, a captive Princess,  
Madame Putitova (I. F. Johnston)  
Slaves, attendants, Nubians, camels, leopards, and other whatnots too numerous to get on this rotten little stage. (May be seen on presentation of a visiting card.)

Scene—A smoking room in Pharaoh's palace.

#### 2. Haig & Haig in Some Neat Stuff.

Haig ..... A. G. Stevenson  
Haig ..... J. W. Thornton

#### 3. Afternoon Tea—A Startling Revelation.

Mrs. Morrison-Morrison ..... J. G. Cassels  
Miss de Tour ..... F. X. Chaballe  
Mrs. Smith ..... G. W. Hall  
Miss de Linquent ..... D. M. Grant  
Mr. de Rezke ..... M. P. Bogart  
Maid ..... R. N. Warnock  
1st Cadet ..... J. D. Groves  
2nd Cadet ..... G. B. McLellan

#### 4. Pyramus and Thisbe. A Tragedy.

Butler ..... D. A. MacLaren  
Charwoman ..... J. G. Cassels  
Second Footman ..... G. T. Wishart  
Stableman ..... A. G. Stevenson

#### 5. The Bathroom Door.

The Young Man ..... J. W. Thornton  
The Young Lady ..... R. G. C. Smith  
The Elderly Gentleman ..... W. W. Darling  
The Elderly Lady ..... D. A. MacLaren  
The Prima Donna ..... C. J. S. Nichol  
The Boots ..... H. de M. Molson

Scene—A passage in the Frontenac Hotel.

The time is 8 a.m.

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#### THE COLLEGE ORCHESTRA

#### AND

Stage Manager ..... E. D. Campbell  
Director of Costumes ..... R. M. Elliot  
Electrician-in-Chief ..... H. L. Eberts  
Prompter ..... S. E. E. Morris

Dresses by Poiret.  
Perfumes by Cotez.  
Scenery by Rembrandt.

## *Graduating Class*



1714, SENIOR UNDER OFFICER BRIAN MORTIMER ARCHIBALD

"Archie" hails from Toronto and began his career at T.C.S. He arrived at R.M.C. along with the Class of '27 on Sept. 1st, 1923. He soon became used to his new surroundings and started to make a name for himself right from the first. At the end of our recruit year he won all the prizes he was allowed to have and has continued to do so each year. "Archie" has the great knack of being able to pick out what is going to be on an examination paper and it is due to his lectures and hints that the class has 34 members in its final year. He has successfully worn three stars and crown on his right arm since our Third Class year. It is not in the academic work alone that "Archie" shines; everything he does he does well. In the field of sport he has represented the College more than once on the Harrier Team. His left arm has never been bare and during the past year has worn a well-earned spur along with several other badges. He was a member of the College Revolver team. Soon after our Third class year started, "Archie" took hold of the Class and has looked after us ever since. He has had a difficult time looking after us all, but has always ruled with an iron hand and soon put an end to the rebellious "bourgeois." He was a great help to us in our Sunday shows and took several important parts. We will never forget him as "Moses in the bull-rushes" and he also made a splendid Napoleon in the "Soiree Francais." He makes a great hit with the fairer sex but up to the present, to the best of our knowledge, has had no serious affairs. "Archie" hopes to go to the R.E.'s from here and with his cheerful nature and keen ability we feel sure he will go a long way. The Class will never forget what you have done for us, "Archie", and we all wish you the very best of luck.

K. H. T.

## 1766, U.O., KENNETH HADLEY TREMAIN



"Ken." hails from Windsor (N.S.) and received his early training at Ashbury College and in those early days showed signs of developing into a man of no mean ability. The first glimpse we had of Ken. was when he sat, looking very disconsolate, beside his suitcase, with Larry on the steps of the Crown Cafe waiting for 6 p.m. to draw near that eventful 1st of September, 1923. Ken. was one of the few recruits to play on the Dominion Championship team of '23 and has played on the team ever since. In his last year he was Captain, Coach and mainstay of the team, and successfully led it to victory for another Dominion Championship. He is one of the best players the College has ever had and any University in Canada would be lucky to have such a "kicking-half". Ken. played Junior hockey for his first year and has since been on the first team, captaining it in his final year and capturing the Intercollegiate championship. Incidentally, he wears six championship badges. He has also been on various tennis and rifle teams and has won crossed rifles and crown, crossed guns and spur. But sports are not Ken's only forte. Always a snappy man, the third-year here saw him with two stripes and then in his final year he was given complete charge of "Beer." Next year Ken. is going to McGill to finish up in mechanical engineering. With his infectious high spirits and goodwill we are sure that he will go a long way. The Class of '27 extends their best to you, Ken.

H. L. E.

## 1728, U.O., HERMAN LIVINGSTONE EBERTS



Our first impression of Herman was that of a fair, blue-eyed boy, contentedly smoking a pipe at the station. Soon afterwards we found out that this was "Herman", and later, for very obvious reasons, he acquired the title of "the Baron." From the start the Baron, with his unperturbable nature and easy self-assurance, took the lead and held it; proving himself adequate in both sports and studies. During his sojourn at the College his left arm has never been without decorations, while for a year he displayed a crown above his crossed rifles. During his second class year he appeared in our midst wearing two stripes, and although his walking was still unchanged and he still enjoyed the eternal pipe, Herman fitted the new role like a glove. In his Senior year he was destined to pilot poor old "Ach" through her trials and tribulations, and this he has done admirably. As skipper of the second football team the Baron showed his ability by carrying away the laurels from Queen's twice. As a marksman, Herman has proved himself "no slouch" from the first, having won innumerable spoons and having represented the College two successive years on the Sandhurst Competition team and for one on the revolver team. McGill will claim Herm's attention during the coming season and there no doubt as here he will prove his ability. Later he has ambitions towards the field of electrical engineering, a fact borne out by his love of remaking his radio and by his practical usefulness as senior of the electricians. Baron, we don't need to wish you luck as you know the old saying "You can't keep a good man down."

M. C. S.





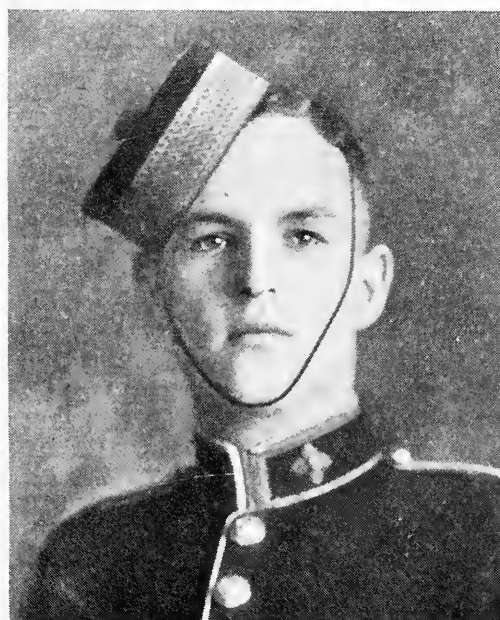
## 1759, J.U.O., HERBERT CARRINGTON SMITH

"Super-trap" Herbie, a by-product of Quebec, is one of those peculiar beings who delight in shiny objects. A can of silvo to our dear Herb is as a red rag to a bull. He is so obsessed by the passion that he intends to undertake an enterprise in the near future to venture into space and polish up the sun a bit. Consequently Smithie is the acme of perfection on parade. He possesses the best arm in the College; nothing being left off even to crowns and a star. Herbie was a member of the championship rugby team this year and also managed both hockey teams in a very capable way. We actually had to pay for having our skates sharpened this year. However, his forte lies in essay writing, especially on the Hudson Bay Co.—Indefinite R. P.—What a blow. Eh! Herb? Herbert has not quite made up his mind about the future yet but we all feel certain that the Imperial Army will miss a great deal if he doesn't take a commssion. E. D. C.



## 1724, J.U.O., EDWARD DOUGLAS CAMPBELL

Our blue-eyed baby boy from Dundas started his recruit year well by becoming a great friend of "Earnie's". But, as time wore on he made a name for himself in the gym. and often did things to the envy of the less fortunate. He is one of the best gymnasts that has ever been through the College. He took a prominent part in inter-platoon sports, and in his 3rd and 2nd class years made a place on the 1st Soccer Team. But "Soup" was at his best in his senior year when he appeared as a sub. on our Dominion Champion Rugby Team. Does he remember the truck ride in London, I wonder? Not content with this he played basketball for the College and hockey for his Platoon. "Soup" stepped into the limelight rather unexpectedly just before the now famous war-canoe race. "Soup," as J.U.O., was the leading light of No. 1 Platoon and had its destinies under his able care. The Class of '27 all wish him the best of luck in his future career whether it is Law, the "Imperials" or the Nigerian Railway. D. C. S.



## 1715, J.U.O., DUNCAN COOPER SMITH

"Smitty" started in "being made a man of" in Siberia, and stayed on there faithfully till the gallant old force was disbanded. During his "Exile" we remember him well, and perhaps he can recall a few incidents too; "The Return to Life," or "How to take Hot Baths at Midnight" by the Frozen Recruit, for instance; or "How the Ladder Broke" by the Arctic Bather. However, that did not deter him, and he has continued to do well in Aquatics. We know well his prowess in squash, and imagine, from the badges on his sweaters at the end of each summer, that he wields a mean baseball bat too.

We won't forget the Champion XII's dashing manager, or the cheerful captain of No. 4 Platoon's teams. Well, "Smitty," if it's going to be Chemistry—Best of luck—we like betting on a sure thing.

R. M. E.



#### 1729, J.U.O., ROBERT MENZIES ELLIOT

Robert, alias "Bob", came to us out of the West. Bob, one time "Crabshaw", soon forgot he was the youngest spoilt son and began to sprout with Earnie, Hammie and Johnny Nelson as the fertilizers. He took a number of different parts in various "shows" but lately has given that up for the more serious practices of managing the soccer team, shooting (at least he goes down to the miniature range and reports wonderful scores to us) platoon football and sleeping. The last he does quite well although not quite in Ken's class. Also in his senior year on Middle Ack he has been doing some research work on flooring. Bob thinks life in the army sounds quite interesting and being a hard worker will no doubt soon be wearing more than one "pip."

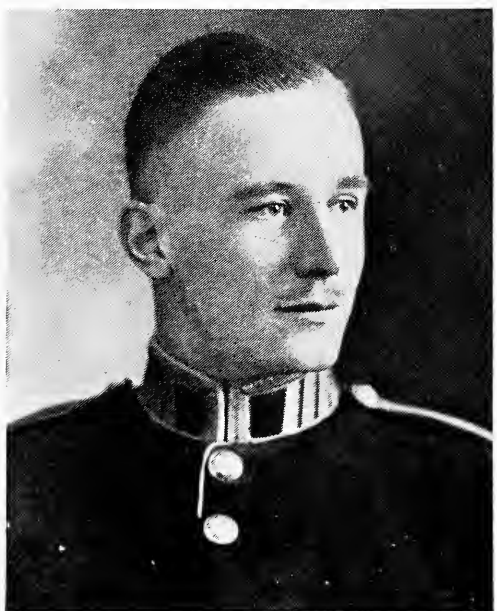
F. B. R.



#### 1756, C.S.M., FRANK BARNARD ROLPH

"Rufus", "Half-pint", "Half-portion", in fact any old name that has a prefix of "half" to it, came to us from St. Auburn's. He came to us on his knees and has remained in that shortened position ever since. It is rumoured that he at one time looked down upon Archie on battalion parades but this is doubtful and Archie for one does not admit it. In his Second Class year he earned a stripe which increased to four in his Senior year. He has played on both the First and second Rugby squads and on the second Hockey. In the gym. (the recruits kindly donated a ladder for the horizontal bar) he ranks as one of the best and has been on the "Ack" Gym. team for three years. As a boxer he is unexcelled in his weight. He has not quite decided what he is going to do after leaving College but the whole Class wish him well and are sure he will succeed in whatever he undertakes—Irishmen always do, eh Rufus?

J. C. H.



#### 1736, C.S.M., JOHN CRAVEN HODSON

Way back in 1923, when from East and West came those who were destined to form the Class of '27, there came from far off Victoria, Hoddy. Spending the first three years in "Ack" he wound up by being transferred to "Beer" as C.S.M. Hoddy has always had the knack of doing the unexpected. During the Inter-Company rugby game in our recruit year he broke his leg. With his usual self-possession he made an ideal patient. Again in the same year he lost his pill-box, so I am told. A minor thing? yes, but—. He has always been our strong man, and rumour has it, did seven press-ups in successions. For the last two years our Hoddy has been trying to decide on one branch of the service or the other. Its all right, he has settled it and the Tank corps are the lucky boys. Good luck old boy, you show them, the Class of '27 awaits with interest to hear of your success.

J. E. C.



**1713, C.Q.M.S., VICTOR EDWARD CLARKE  
ODLUM**

"Oodlum," or more commonly "Vic," came to us from the great open spaces where men are men, and has certainly proved himself no exception to this rule. He is blessed with a quiet and unassuming ability and always goes about his work with a smile and cheerful word on his lips, and a ready helping hand for anyone less fortunate than himself. He made the College team which won the Dominion Intermediate Championship in our recruit year and has held his place with distinction ever since. He is one of the best players on the Basketball team and one of the best shots on the Revolver team. For three years he has been on the inter-company gym. team. Last year he distinguished himself by winning the heavy-weight boxing championship and in addition the Grenadier Guards' cup for the "Best Boxer in the College." Best of luck Vic, we know that whatever calling you finally decide upon you will go far and attain success.

A. W. W.-H.



**1712, C.Q.M.S., GORDON STUART OSLER**

"Stu," "Os" or "Nig" as he is variously known, hails from Toronto and came to us from T.C.S. ready to do or die. Like the rest of us he probably does not know which was nearest the first week but since then he has been "doing" steadily. The sports field has always seen much of Stu.—the 2nd Rugby and Hockey teams included him in their line-ups in his recruit year and since then he has held an undisputed place on both first teams, hitting the line many times like the proverbial "G. S. Wagon" for the Dom. Int. Rugby Champs 1921 and slipping in the winning counter for the Int.-Inter-Collegiate Hockey title. Away from the College it is rumoured that at tennis Stu's memory is known to lapse but as "B" Coy's "Q" Department he has looked after us in a noble fashion. He is always ready with a smile and the Class of '27 will see him go far in whatever he turns his hand to. Best of luck, Stu!

A. T. F.

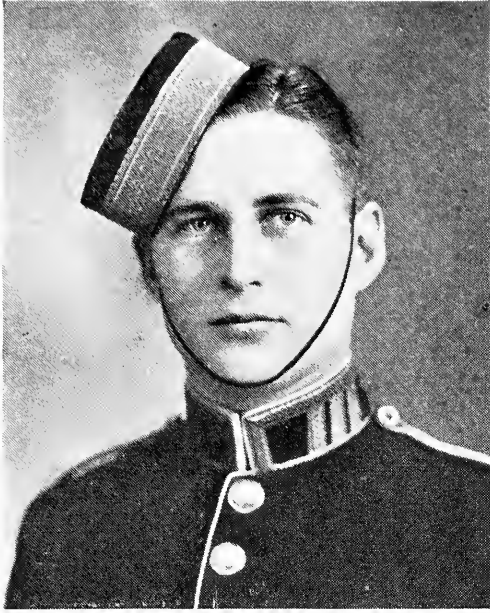


**1731, SGT., ARTHUR THORNTON FELL**

Victoria is the proud producer of Bill. This "breezy Westerner" arrived with the rest of us on a hot September afternoon in '23. He was soon brought into the limelight by the field sports where he shone as a runner and jumper. For the last three years Bill has always given the winner of the field sports a great run for his money and truly deserves the myriad of cups and medals he possesses. He also shines as a soccer and basketball player, being the playing manager of the latter team this year. His great weaknesses are telephones and as many late passes as he can wangle. As a chemist he shines brightly and is thinking of Varsity as a chemical engineer next year. But whatever it may be we are sure Bill will be successful. Best of luck Bill.

A. D. L.

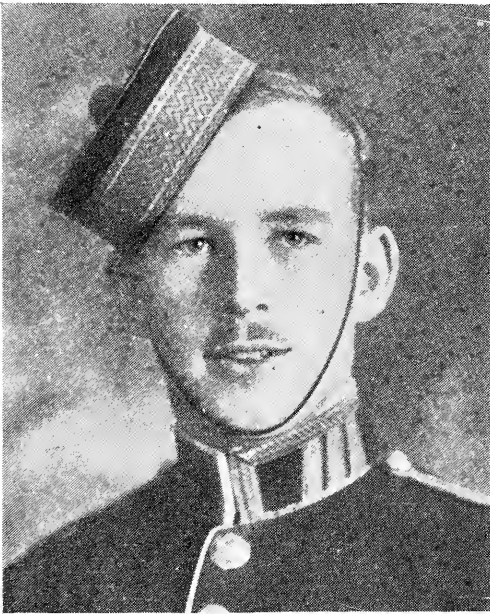




**1717, SGT., NORMAN LORNE CAMPBELL  
MATHER**

Larry has always been a big hit at the College. He came here from Ridley and after meeting Stu began to change his opinions about T.C.S. He even came over to good "old beer," after two years of "Ack" to be near Stu. He has featured on the College rugby team every year, being one of the best snaps seen for a long time, and has two Dominion Championship shields on his sweater as well as several others. He has also done very well in the hockey each year, and always adds a good bit of weight to the team. Lar. is one of the best riders in the class and is on the College polo team. We fear he is going into Bonds. Well! Lar. we're sure you'll be at the top wherever you may go and the very best of luck from the Class of '27.

I. H. C. W.



**1769, SGT., IAN HUGH CUMBERLAND  
WOTHERSPOON**

Swotty is one of those quiet unassuming lads who always seem to get there—where? oh, always near the top when exam. results come out. He came to us from T.C.S. and is probably one of the bigger and better reasons for that school's good name. It seems that Swotty was born with a rifle in his hands, for he is an excellent shot and won the best shot badge in our recruit year, no mean feat. He is always on the College rifle team, and usually has a fair share of those funny things on his arm that make little girls ask questions. On the football field, "Swotty" has been a valuable asset to the second team for two years, and at the Aquatic Sports you will always see him in a winning canoe. One of his peculiar tastes is ice-boating and skiing in the middle of the night, but that's another story. Next year Ian will be a college boy at Toronto Varsity and his success there is assumed by the good name he has left behind at R. M. C.

P.C. F.

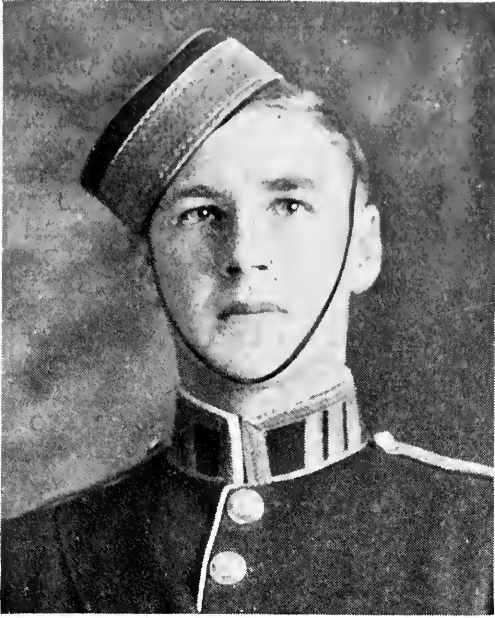


**1730, SGT., PETER CLEUGH FAIR**

Pete distinguished himself early in his recruit year by winning the Obstacle Race and again at the end by acquiring the best arm in the class, which still remains well decorated. As far as teams go Pete has been on many, he played outside for the first team Rugby in his senior year and was also on the first Hockey team, besides this he has three second teams and three Harrier teams to his credit. He has also distinguished himself each year in the Field and Aquatic Sports. The summers Pete spends in the Air Force at Camp Borden, where he has done very well and has the distinction of being the first cadet with "wings," when he graduates he is going into the R.A.F., where we wish him every success. Among his other accomplishments he plays the piano and is one of the chief mainstays of the Orchestra. Pete is the only remaining member of the class to live in Kingston and has always done his share in entertaining those who live elsewhere.

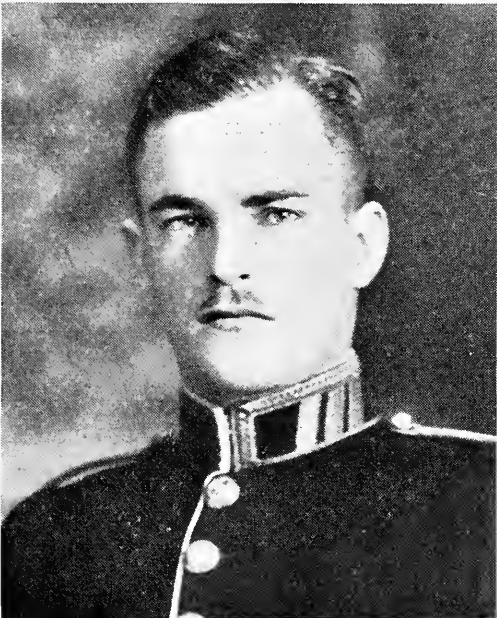
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**1733, L/SGT., GEORGE GAISFORD**

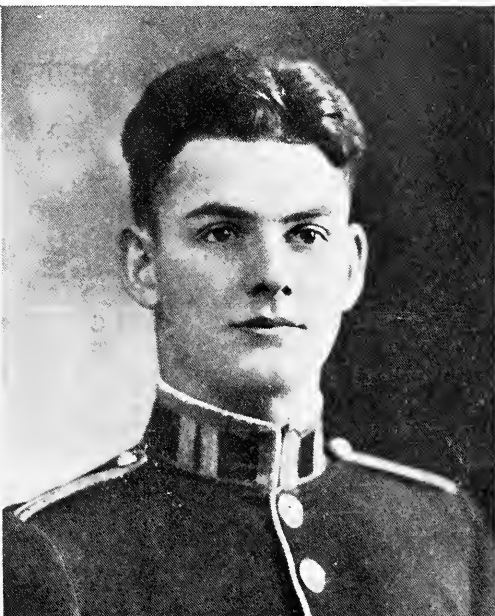
Since his warm reception here, "Goose" has continued to beam cheerfully on everything and everyone. He started his rise to fame early in his recruit year, when he came well up in the 440 yds. swim, a feat which he has repeated each year. His star shot up a few more light years when he took all that Johnny Johnston could give and then proceeded to hand it back with compound interest. In his Third and Second years, being of a shy and modest nature, Gizzy stopped startling us and rested content with becoming proficient as a snap-back, being one of the stars on the second team in his final year. Now we find him a full blown, blushing Lance Sergeant with lungs of brass and vocal chords of tempered steel, still smiling and repeating ever and anon "What the h—l is the College coming to." If Kipling's "IF" is true, George, you will have a big advantage over the rest of us. So here's wishing the best for the future in the Tanks or Civies, George, old man.

D. B. B.

**1667, L/SGT., DONALD BOWIE BUELL**

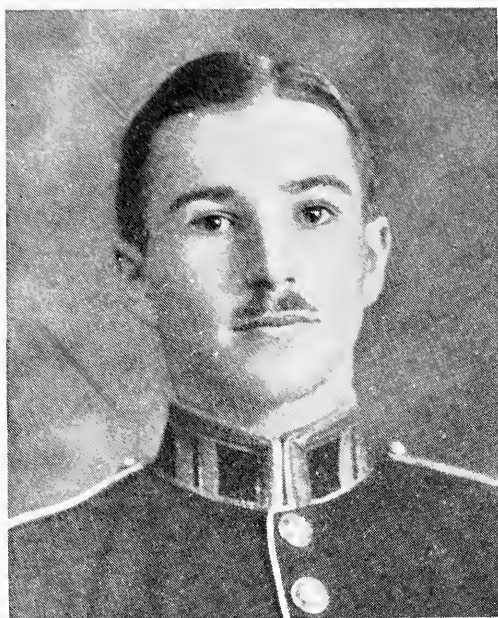
Don. came to the College from the University School in Victoria. We only got to really know him in our 2nd Class year when he joined us. Since then he has been one of the cheerful lights in the Class. His carefree attitude and unfailing good humour are always noticeable. In sports Don. doesn't take a back seat at all. As captain of the soccer team he always played a hard game and his shot to centre from left wing would make a pro jealous. Gym. too, is another sport where he shines and every year he has always done well in the Inter-Company Gym. competition. As regards indoor sports Don. has two. One playing billiards and the other palying his "Uke." He has not decided on his career as yet but inal probability it will be law. Whatever it is Don., the Class wishes you the best of luck.

J. M. M.

**1742, CPL., JAMES MALCOLM MACKAY**

On the first of September, 1923, Jim burst upon us from a little town in the West. His sturdy build, quiet smile and tousled hair at once attracted attention. He quickly adjusted himself to his new surroundings and was always ready with help and encouragement for those less gifted than himself. In the field of sports Jim has always been among the first, playing on the soccer team for four years and captaining the basketball team in his final year. In the gym there are few to touch him and at golf none. Among his faults is a fondness for "civies" which caused him many uneasy moments. In his final year he became Senior Corporal and a leader among the "Reds." At present the C. P. R., among other large concerns, is tendering for his services, and it is rumoured that he has had a tempting offer from Moscow. Whoever gets you, Jim, we all wish you the very best of luck and the success we know you deserve.

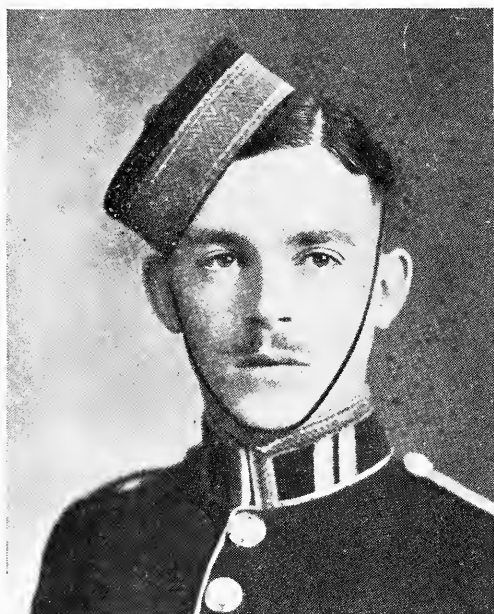
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1752, CPL., GLYN FEATHERSTON OSLER

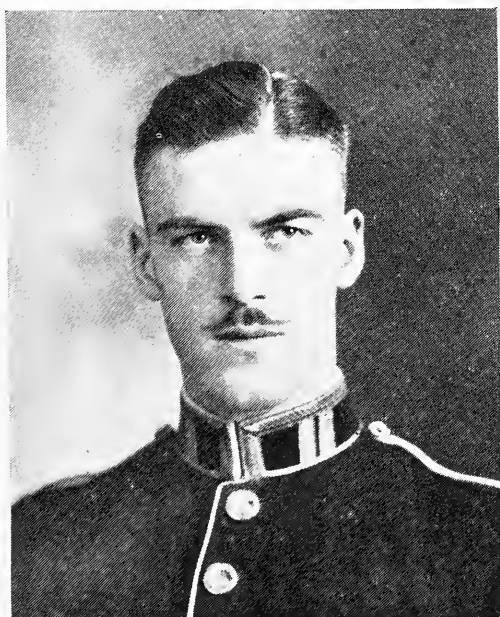
"Fen" came to us from Bishop Ridley's College. Unlike most of the rest of us he doesn't do all his work in the last two months before the finals but works hard throughout the whole year; that is when he isn't playing one of his many sports. "Fen's" most distinguished field was tennis and then Rugby and Hockey. He also gave us all a brilliant display of Cricket in the Inter-Company Match. "Fen" has been true to good old "Top Ack" for the whole of his four years here. "Fen" must spend most of his time in Toronto judging from some of his questions in class, but when the marks come in from the different exams this seems hard to believe. His best indoor game is "RHUMmy", the popular game of cards. He hopes to spend next year in France studying (the) French language. (Tough luck, old boy) but only the end of the year can foretell how much French he will learn. After he returns he intends to take up Law for his career. The best wishes of the Class go with you "Fen."

G. C. S.

1743, CPL., DAVID ALASTAIR MURRAY  
MACLAREN

"Good things come in small parcels." "Davie" proved this by his ability in football, playing on the second team for three years and subbing for the first this year. Not only on the field does our "petit caporal" disport himself, but in the Gym. he may also be seen going through many distortions for improving his figure. He also has displayed himself on the parallel bars at Toronto during the past two years and the present year. But where David excels is in the "Drama." His wealth is in his facial expression. He may have his audience rolling around the floor, so to speak, with laughter, and in a minute later have them in tears. He is a regular little information bureau in himself. Wherever you may find a newspaper, there also you will find David. His great desire now is to roam the world over in search of adventure. Wherever he may be going the Class wish him "bon voyage" and "good luck."

J. M. R.



1741, CPL., ARCHIBALD DAVID LANGMUIR

Dave, hailing from Appleby, plunged into the maelstrom of Kingston with the *savoir faire* of a hardened sinner. In his recruit year he distinguished himself in the boxing and since then he has figured as contender for the crown of the swat. Dave's disposition is, to say the least, sunny, although his technique in the art of grumbling, is marked. If you are ever depressed just go up to Dave's room for an hour's work and you are cured for sure. He is an adept at keeping your mind off the subject and you leave the room a new man. Dave's favourite pastime is growing a moustache and attending vaulting ride and also I must say collecting photos. His future is as yet undecided but he is considering Osgoode Hall. Best of luck, Dave.

T. W. D.



1726, CPL., THOMAS WARREN DARCY

Tom comes from Peterborough and after spending three years at T.C.S., he decided to go to R.M.C. Before long he found that he was to reside on bottom "Beer" under the motherly love and care of Mr. Kirby and his assistant Mr. Bates. From then on Tom has always been true and loyal to No. 3 Platoon, which he has fought for in many a rugby and hockey game. He has helped win three out of four War-canoe races, and has been on the Dundonald Cup team every year. In the classroom Tom, unlike so many of us, never seems to come across many problems which he cannot solve and consequently has always been fairly well up in the class. In the engineering lab. Tom handles a mean *wrench* and is quite an expert at making an engine *run* after having pulled it to pieces from top to bottom. On leaving here he intends to go in for engineering of some kind, and no matter what branch it is, success is sure to follow him. Best of luck.

G. S. O.



1718, CPL., ADRIAN WARING WOLFE-MERTON

Adrian hails from the western section of Canada, and wended his way here along with the rest of the '27 class. He pitched into things seriously right from the start, even inquiring after a few days what one had to do to become the future B.S.M.; in fact his rivalry with a certain nameless one was the talk of the College for a long time, and to show that there was no ill feeling Adrian beat the nameless one by one step in his final year.

Adrian never misses his early morning swim or bath, and he enjoys all the comforts of this life, such as candy and books. He is keen on sports, and wears the crossed rifles for his skill on the range. He has made the soccer team every year.

Anybody who has kept his eye on Adrian would say: "If the amount of work which he does here counts for anything, he should go a long way when he gets out."

The very best of luck to you, Adrian.

D. G. McL.

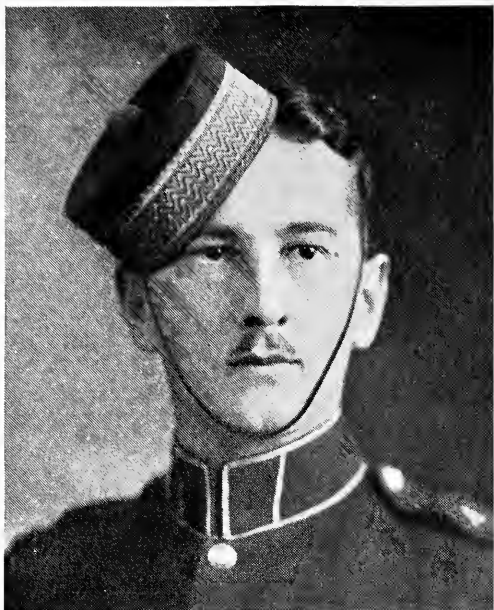


1749, L/CPL., DONALD GREENLEY McLEOD

"Don," "Boonie," "Ape," "Monkey," "Anthropoid," "Dynamite Mac," etc., come from Montreal. When Don was but a youth his Ex-Cadet brothers marked him down as a future Cadet. He arrived with a rush. Since then the "Ape" has indulged successfully in all sports during his four year sentence, for the last two years he has won an "A" arm for rugby. He played outside left on the Dom. Champ. team and found out that his long arms are good for tackling too. Hockey, Basketball, Soccer, Cricket, "Bottom up," etc., are a few of the sports Boonie shines in. He has been on M.O. parade several times and has also been in residence in the K. G. H. He is going into Chartered Accountancy after graduation. May you always be on the "Cost Boonie!"

J. R. B.

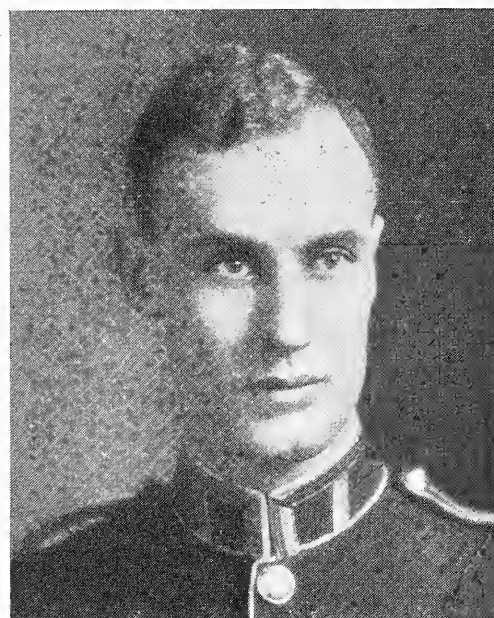




## 1721, L/CPL., JOHN ROBERT BETHUNE

Johnnie, often known as Jeeves, hails from Ottawa. He has always been of a cheerful nature, with a keen sense of humour, and a much misused voice of many high notes. Like the proverbial bad penny Johnny turns up on M. O. parade at frequent intervals during the average year. He has done well in the Aquatic Sports each year, always getting one or more medals. Johnnie Skis with much *savoir faire*, and is greatly envied by those less skilled in this art. He has a natural aversion to P. T., but skilfully manages to win a good many points. He did well in the Minstrel show in his final year, but was a little backward in this respect in his recruit year. He makes a splendid lecturer, and easily keeps his audience's attention owing to his great humour. Johnnie is going in for insurance and we know he will do well in it. Best of luck, Johnnie!

J. G. C.



## 1725, L/CPL., JOHN GRAHAM CASSELS

Better known as Graham or "Widdy." This cheerful, youth hails from Toronto, but came to us from T.C.S. and began life in the old Siberian Force on Bottom Ack. He gained his nickname by skilfully portraying varied charladies in Sunday-night shows. He was always sure of a laugh, which was very helpful on various occasions. We hear that he is going to take up law. He will undoubtedly do well, as he can wag his tongue freely without oiling it. At odd moments Graham amuses himself with golf and squash, and no platoon rugby or soccer football team can really call itself complete without his name on the line-up. He also has the reputation of being a mean figure in the three-legged racing world. It will be a long time before we will be able to forget the radio fiend of Bottom Beer. It is rumoured that certain members of the staff are with us in that respect, for Graham is no respecter of persons. Good hunting, Graham, old top.

A. J. K.



## 1740, L/CPL., ARMINE JOHN KERRY

"Armine John" came to us fresh and unstained from one of the great English public schools, Bradfield, Berks., Hence, the first thing he cast his eye around for was a soccer ball. This explains the fact that he has been closely associated with the soccer team for four years. His English accent proved a slight handicap when he started taking up the duties of flat orderly on Top Ack but this did not deter him long. John's big day in the year is Graduation Day, when he takes all the prizes that are left after Archie's ravages. Incidentally, there are many of us who are in his debt for helping us pass our exams. John has also carved a special niche for himself in the literary hall of fame by his contributions to the Review. In his final year, he broke all previous records for taking duties for which we are truly thankful. We hear that the R.C.E.'s are getting the contract for Armine's future. Best of luck, John.

C. M. A. S.



**1762, L/CPL., COLIN MORRIS ALLAN STRATHY**

Street came to use from T.C.S., bearing with him the art of piano playing, Gothic lettering and a pretty good foundation in gym. work. Since then his arts have blossomed under the aid of the shows of our recruit year. He distinguished himself in squash during his final year to say nothing of winning the nickname of "Conacher" on the Gridiron. His improvisations on the ivories led him into one triple embarrassing occurrence when he played the "R.C.R.'s with all the windows in Currie Hall open. Street was always one of the bright spots in our show both in and out of and behind the footlights and in a very efficient manner covered any gap in our lines with his melodies—vocal and otherwise. He's not quite sure of his destination when he leaves here but we wish him every success in whatever he may choose.

D. C. M.



**1746, L/CPL., DONALD CAMPBELL MEYERS**

Being by nature a very quiet and reserved lad little is known about his past. We gather, however, that Toronto is his stamping ground and there he survived a U.C.C. education. Arriving in due course at a certain well-known garrison town, Don proceeded to inhale life with great zest and gusto. Don has wielded a wicked paddle every Aquatic Sports, besides being a right smart boy on horseback. Having more brains than application, it is an accomplished fact that when he starts to work in earnest he will reach the top of the ladder in record time. Here's luck, boy.

J. H. C. M.



**1754, L/CPL., FREDERICK CHRISTOPHER POLLARD**

Polly comes from Victoria, B.C., which apparently, next to Kingston, he thinks is just "it." He received his early education at University School, Victoria, where he was one of the big men in the Cadet world, etc. He has always lived on bottom "Beer" except during his final year, when he received promotion and came to the top flat to take over No. 7 Section. He excels in Squash, winning the title of Champion in his graduating year. Polly plays a mean game of tennis and has represented the College on more than one occasion. In his Senior year he was undisputed Champion in squash. He won the crown in gym. during his Second year and has always done well in that department. Polly has also won many medals in the field sports and has run on the class relay team. Fred fell in love in his 3rd class year and has ever since held the long distance telephone record. After graduation we hear he is going into Insurance in Toronto. Best of luck, old man.

G. M. B.



#### 1765, L/CPL., JAMES WORTH THORNTON

Jimmy received his early (scholastic) training in halls of learning across the border. He joined the Class of '27 in a straw hat, and has continued to mount the ladder to Fame ever since. Jimmy's talents are unlimited. He is a tricky fencer, and a crack revolver shot. Now, too, he is a French Interpreter, and hopes soon to be Fijian, Hawaiian, and Spanish ditto. He shines as an orator. As a literary genius he was always called on for a "Class Page," with fascinating results. Last but not least, as an actor, he was invaluable for Sunday night shows, Aquatic Sports, Christmas Trees, etc., while he starred, with Steve, in the Minstrel Shows. Notwithstanding his slight build, Jim's capacity for food and drink would stagger the artist of "Believe it or Not." Jimmy's Sparkling humour is always the life of the class. His ability to master anything he takes up seriously will carry him far. Next year he goes to Cambridge to study law. Here's to you, Jimmy,—“the very best of success.”

B. M. A.



#### 1720, G.C., GODFREY MORLEY BERRY

“Wes” hails from Ottawa. The Top Flat of “Beer” has always seen his bright face; he has added to it they say, a moustache of finite dimensions. There are three things that “Wes” is proud of; first, his moustache; secondly, he has never been on M.O. parade during his course at the College; and thirdly, he has not yet missed a half holiday in Kingston this year. “Wes” has always been near the top of the class in academic work and we hear he is becoming a first class revolver shot. Signalling has always been one of Morley's favourite sports. I have heard that he once took a class in signalling prior to his appearance at the College. In his recruit year he got crossed flags. Nobody has yet found out why “Wes” was not present at the Church parade the Sunday of the memorable West Point visit. Good luck “Wes”, you'll do well, whatever you do.

F. C. P.



#### 1755, G.C., JOHN MORRIS ROBINSON

Marsh, Dosy, Donny or Robbie, is a product, like many of our best citizens, of the Maritime Provinces. He first made himself conspicuous by his frank admittance of being bored in lectures and going to sleep, which accounts for two of his nicknames. Between his dormant lapses he shows a large reserve of energy in the way he throws the hammer, and in the way he wields a tennis racket, making the tennis team this year. He bears a mark of platoon hockey battles, with his “easy come, easy go” tooth. Perhaps his greatest ability lies in pouring forth his romantic soul on paper, for his letters to Boston are by no means neglected. He is the youngest of us to graduate. He intends to go into the Bond business in Montreal when he graduates. His ambition is to sell one to Larry. His good humour will be a great asset to him in his success in business. Here's wishing you the best of luck, Marsh.

D. A. M.

**1758, G.C., GORDON CARRINGTON SMITH**

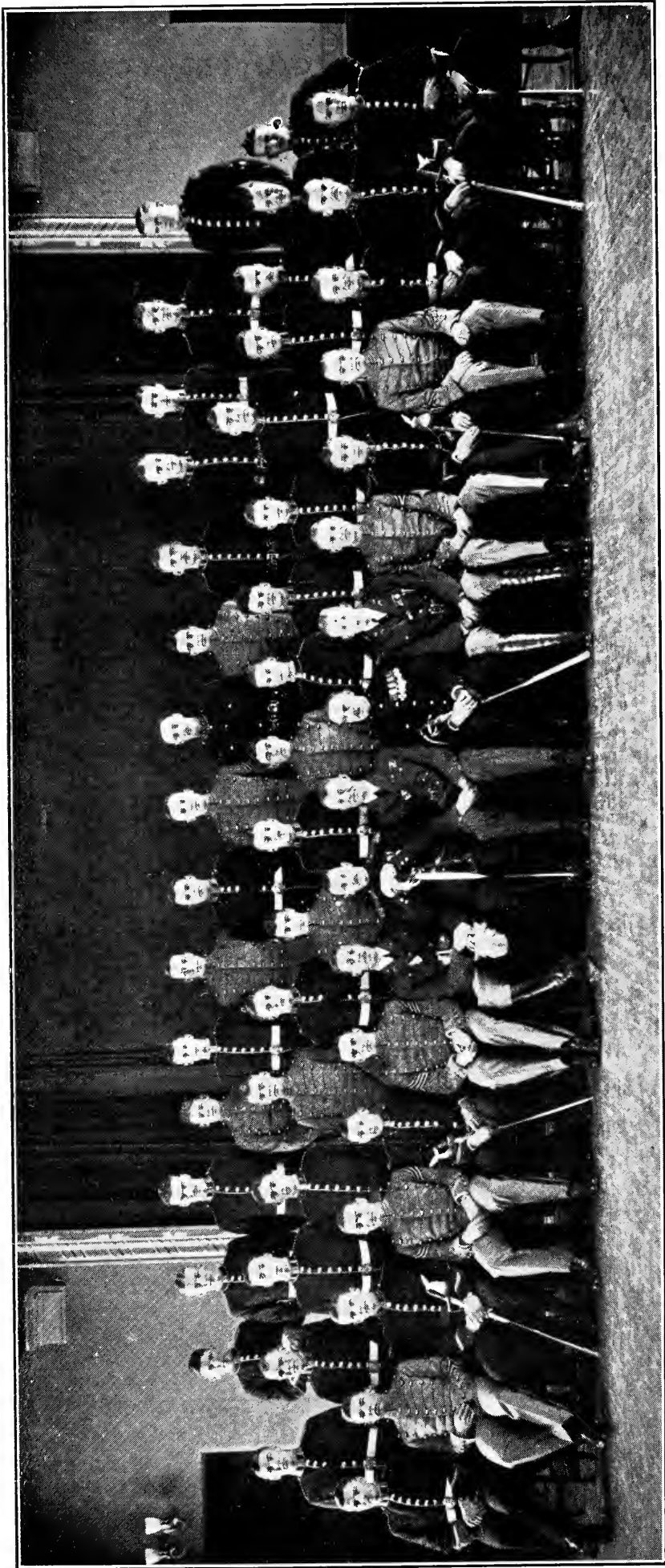
Here is another of the prolific tribe of Carrington Smiths of Quebec, almost as numerous as the sands of the seashore or the Oslers of Toronto. Smitty received his early training at B.C.S., but at the time of going to press has almost lived it down. He was not long in distinguishing himself by possessing a larger degree of that sought-after quality known as snap than others of his less fortunate brethren, and later developed into a horseman of marked ability, winning his whips and spur. Smitty is also a bit of a signaller, plays quite nicely on the type-writer, and can run fast for long distances if hard pressed. Whether he will turn his long hours of research in the Chemistry Lab. to account and become a power in the scientific world is uncertain, but whatever his field of endeavor, he will without doubt make his mark.

J. W. T.



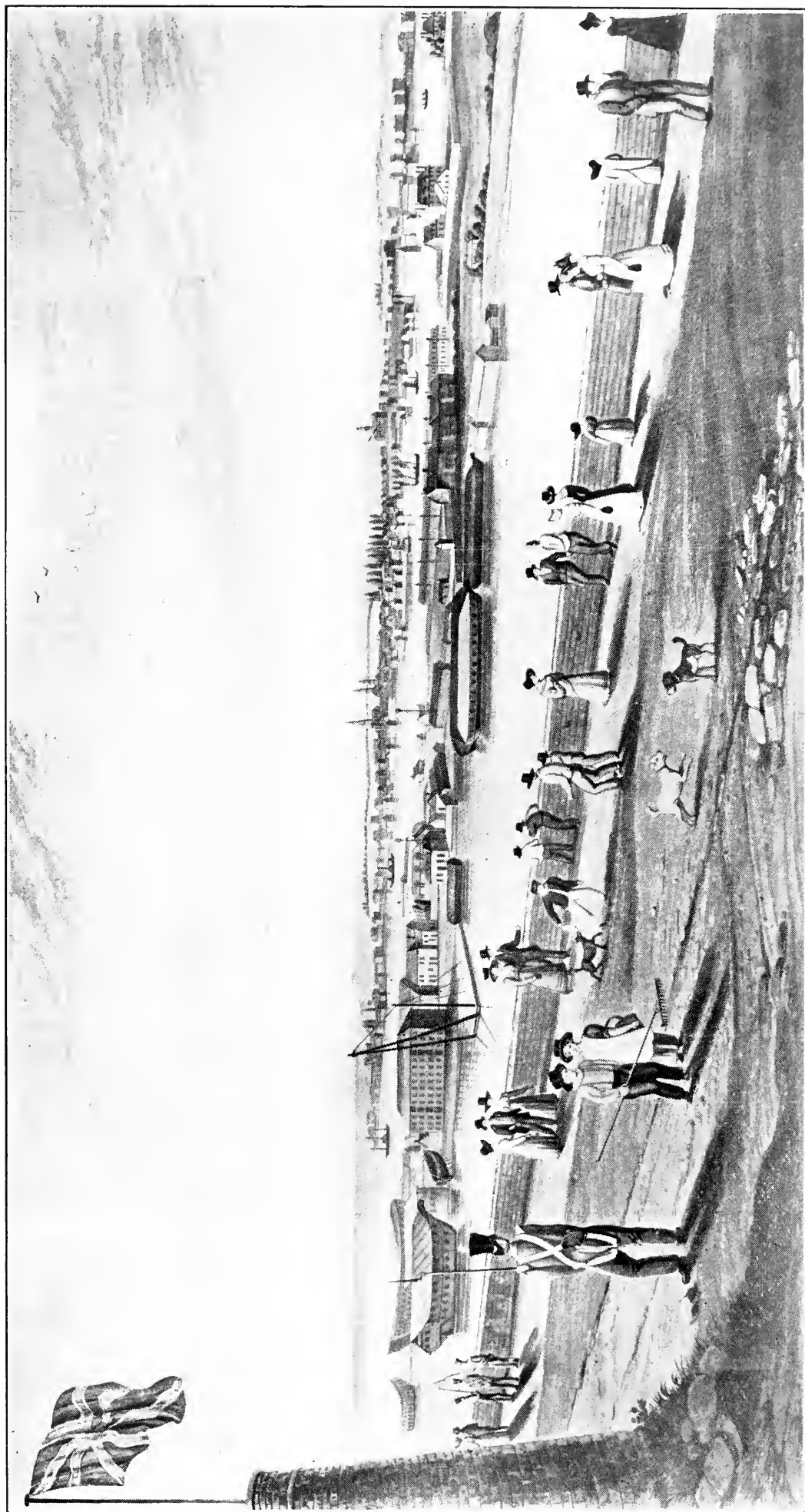
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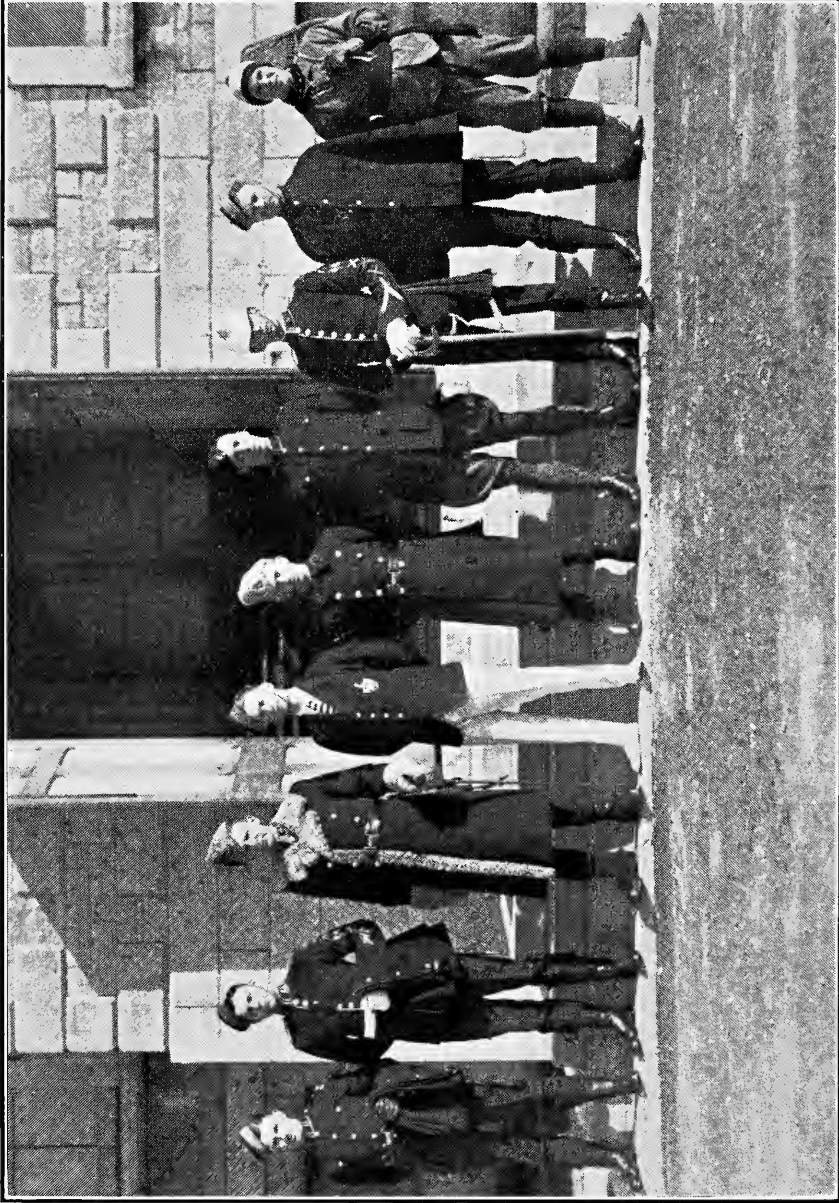


WEST POINT VISIT, 1927





KINGSTON, FROM FORT HENRY, 1822-28  
From a sketch dedicated to Sir Peregrine Maitland, and made by James Gray, 1828



#### R. M. C. UNIFORMS

Reading from Left to Right: 1, Walking out dress (blue), (Corporal); 2, Walking out dress (Sergeant); 3, Full dress, winter order (Under Officer); 4, Recreational kit (all ranks); 5, Parade dress, winter order (C.S.M.); 6, Riding kit (Lce. Corporal); 7, Full dress, summer order (J.U.O.); 8, Walking out dress with cape; 9, Snowshoe and outdoor recreation kit.

## Further Notes on the Early History of the College

**W**E are indebted to Mr. James White (No. 96), of the Department of Justice, Ottawa, for a most interesting letter touching on the early history of the College. Mr. White has very kindly permitted us to published excerpts from his letter dealing with the "Stone Frigate" and Navy Bay.

The following are his words:—

In the early "eighties" some of the wrecks of the old war vessels could be seen near the bottom of Deadman's Bay, and at least one of them was also visible in Navy Bay. At that time there was a wooden building situated about 200 feet south-east of the Educational Building, which was used for the storage of shells, fuses and gunpowder. When loading shells for our annual artillery practice I remember seeing in that building detailed plans of the old men-of-war. Some of them were on the shelves and some on the floor, and I have no doubt that there was much valuable historical material, which went into the fire or was thrown out as waste paper. In any event, when I made enquiries about 15 years ago, no one knew anything about them.

Even to-day comparatively few people appreciate the fact that the tonnage of the "St. Lawrence" was 2305 tons; that she was designed to mount 102 guns, and that she drew 23 feet when loaded.

During the war of 1812-14 Commodore Yeo commanded the below mentioned vessels:

St. Lawrence (ship of the line), 102 guns; launched 10th September, 1814.

Prince Regent (frigate), 58 guns; launched 14th April, 1814.

Princess Charlotte, formerly Vittoria (frigate), 22 guns; launched 14th April, 1814.

Montreal, formerly the Wolfe (ship), 23 guns; launched 25th April, 1813.

Niagara, formerly the Royal George (ship), 22 guns; launched July, 1809.

Charwell, formerly the Moira (brig), 14 guns; launched 28th May, 1805.

Star, formerly the Lord Melville (brig), 14 guns; launched 20th July, 1813.

Magnet, formerly the Sir Sidney Smith (schooner), 12 guns; launched November, 1806. Burned 5th August, 1814.

Netley, formerly the General Beresford (schooner), 13 guns; launched July, 1812.

Psyche (ship), 32 guns; launched 25th December, 1814.

In addition, there were 4 gunboats and a receiving ship, the Duke of Kent, stationed at Kingston, and 13 gunboats on the St. Lawrence, 12 at Coteau du Lac, and 1 at Prescott.

All the larger vessels enumerated above, with the exception of the General Beresford, were built in the Point Frederick navy yard. Irving states that the Beresford was built at York (present Toronto).

The frames of the Psyche were sent out from England, but, as she was not launched until the day after the Treaty of Ghent was signed, she did not take any part in the war.

In the early "eighties" the remains of the old ship-ways were visible, and evidenced that the men-of-war were built on what was then the drill ground between the Stone Frigate and Fort Frederick.

During my time Major Fairtlough purchased a yacht, and had a diver pick up the old moorings in the middle of Navy Bay and opposite the "Stone Frigate." The moorings consisted of three anchors forming the apices of a triangle, chains being laid from each anchor to a ring in the centre and one chain was carried upward to a buoy.

One Sunday morning the alarm was given that his yacht had broken from the mooring and was drifting toward the rocks. Four or five of us ran down and jumped into a sail-boat, swung up alongside the yacht, dropped the anchors and saved her with a very narrow margin from going on the rocks. In boarding the yacht, the cadet who was steering, either Kelly Evans or Herbert Nanton, came up into the wind a little too soon and punched a hole in the stern of the yacht.

It was really necessary to do this, as, if we had missed the yacht, she would have gone ashore before we could have tacked to windward and caught her. I well remember Major Fairtlough's remark when he saw the hole in the stern of his boat. He enquired: "What d—— fool was steering that boat." This, we thought rather amusing, as, had she gone ashore, she might have been a total loss, and, in any event, it would have cost him several hundred dollars for repairs, whereas we only punched a hole where the wood was rotten.

Mr. White also wrote to Colonel Clyde Caldwell (No. 337), who very kindly supplied him with the following extracts from the Militia Reports of 1880-1882, dealing with the early activities of the College in Artillery:—

#### MILITIA REPORTS 1880.

Appendix No. 8—Royal Military College of Canada.

Yearly Report 1880 (Extract)

"The result of annual course of artillery target practice was excellent. The annual rifle practice was carried out very late in the season, but under the circumstances good.

"The cadets also fired with 9-pr. R. M. L. and competed in shifting ordnance for Dominion Artillery Association prizes. In the target practice 9-pr. R. M. L. field guns, Cadet Corporal Hodgins made the highest individual score in the Dominion. The squad of sixteen, selected for competition against similar squads throughout the Dominion, also made the highest aggregate score. The competition in shifting ordnance resulted in the cadets executing the shift in the shortest time and winning the Dominion prize."

#### MILITIA REPORTS 1881.

Appendix No. 11, Royal Military College of Canada.

Yearly Report 1881. (Extract)

"The cadets of the Royal Military College made the highest score in the Dominion for the year 1880, for target practice, with 9-pr. R. M. L. field gun, and in competition with the Garrison Artillery of the Dominion they took the prize for shifting of heavy ordnance.

"In consequence two of the cadets, viz., Company Sergeant-Majors Kirkpatrick and Hodgins, were selected to proceed to England with the representative team for 1881 of the Dominion Artillery Association, to compete at Shoeburyness, England, with the Artillery volunteers of Great Britain.

"The reception these cadets met with in all quarters in England, both by military and civil, was most gratifying.

"Both gentlemen were presented by the Marquis of Londonderry, on behalf of the officers of the Volunteer Artillery of Great Britain, with pre-

sentation cups, as a memento of the first visit of Gentlemen Cadets of Canada to England.

"Such exhibitions of generous and kindly feeling is gratifying, not only as showing the estimation in which the recipients personally are held, but also of the appreciation of the institution to which these gentlemen belong.

"In the competition for 1881 for shifting heavy ordnance with the Garrison Artillery of the Dominion, the Gentlemen Cadets of the Royal Military College have again proved victors, the shift having been made in an extraordinarily rapid and smart manner."

#### MILITIA REPORTS—1882.

Appendix No. 10, Royal Military College of Canada.

Annual Report. (Extract)

"In the shift of heavy ordnance assigned by the Dominion Artillery Association for competition for year 1882 among the Garrison Artillery of the Dominion, the cadets have again proved successful. The shift consisted of dismounting a 24-pr. of 50 cwt., from a garrison standing carriage, and moving the gun to and mounting it on another garrison carriage placed at a distance of 50 feet from the first carriage. The shift was performed in one minutes and sixteen seconds, which is extraordinarily good time. The best time made at the same shift by the representative Canadian squad when competing at Shoeburyness, England, in 1881, was four minutes thirty seconds; that of the best English squad, four minutes thirty-two seconds.

"The best time made for the same shift this year by any Garrison Battery in Canada is two minutes thirty-five seconds.

"The Cadets have now had the honor of heading the competition for three successive years."

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### THE CHRISTMAS DANCE, 1926

This annual ending to the first part of the College year took place on Tuesday, December 21st. Dancing was in the Sir Arthur Currie Hall, at the entrance to which Colonel Commandant and Mrs. Constantine received the many guests. The music was provided by a local orchestra. Supper was served in the mess and reading rooms in the Educational building.

The motif of the decorations in the corridors and the entry to the Hall was red and white set off by green. The general effect was to hide the walls of the building and to convert it into the semblance of a faerie bower. Within the Hall everything revolved around the lately won football championship. The two championship balls, suitably inscribed and initialed, were displayed on miniature goal posts on the stage. Around the walls were the productions of the more artistic of the cadets, in silhouettes, sketches and water-colours, all humorous and many with a story attached. Below stairs were the sitting-out places, comfortably cushioned and well lighted.

Throughout the long evening the sedate hall resounded to the praise of King Jazz and the happy laughter of the dancers. After supper the College orchestra took a hand with some extras, and was kept going steadily for an hour. During these dances favours, balloons and paper ribands descended from on high, while the rush for captures and the dimming of the lights gave the scene a barbaric splendour in no wise lessened by the accompanying music. It was with a sudden shock that one heard the strains of "The King," and discovered that it was time to stop.

A. J. KERRY.



## SHIFTING ORDNANCE COMPETITION

### DOMINION ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION.

1880.

Open to Detachments from all Garrison Artillery Batteries affiliated with the Dominion Artillery Association.

A gun, 50 cwt. or thereabouts, sights removed, on a garrison standing carriage, to be dismounted over the front of the carriage, and remounted on the same carriage by parbuckling on a single skid.

First operation: Gun to be raised up out of the trunion holes and slewed across carriage, then thrown over front by raising rear of carriage.

Second operation: Gun to be mounted upon rear by parbuckling, one skid being placed between cheeks of carriage, slewed and lowered into trunion holes.

The competition was carried out at the Tête de Pont Barracks, Kingston, on the 7th of December, 1880.

The Gentlemen Cadets carried out this operation in one minute after taking time to place all tackle, skids, etc., into a neat position upon each side of the gun. The next in order was carried out in one minute and eight seconds.

The cash prize was exchanged for embroidered badges of Crossed Skids, which were worn by members of the detachment upon the sleeve of the tunic.

#### ROLL OF DETACHMENT

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| No. | 1. Co. Sergt.-Major Herbert Montgomery Campbell.      |
|     | 2. Gentleman Cadet Ruben Wells Leonard.               |
|     | 3. Corporal Arthur Edward Hodgins.                    |
|     | 4. Gentleman Cadet Alain Cartiere de Lotbiniere Joly. |
|     | 5. Gentleman Cadet George Edwardraidlaw.              |
|     | 6. Sergeant George Mowat Duff.                        |
|     | 7. Gentleman Cadet Alfred Thomas Tomlinson.           |
|     | 8. Corporal Frederick St. Duthus Skinner.             |
|     | 9. Lance-Corporal Zachary Taylor Wood.                |
|     | 10. Lance-Corporal Ernest Frederick Wurtele.          |
|     | 11. Corporal Frederick Charles Anderson.              |
|     | 12. Corporal Edward Thornton Taylor.                  |
|     | 13. Gentleman Cadet George Robertson Hooper.          |
|     | 14. Gentleman Cadet Mayor Williams Neyland.           |
|     | 15. Sergeant Ernest Wilson Hubbell.                   |
|     | 16. Lance-Corporal John Irvine Lang.                  |
|     | 17. Corporal Frank Herbert Latimer.                   |
|     | 18. Lance-Corporal Henry Smith Greenwood.             |
|     | 19. Corporal Alexander King Kirkpatrick.              |
|     | 20. Gentleman Cadet James Arthur Hesketh.             |
|     | 21. Corporal Graeme Sym Duffus.                       |

This was the first occasion in which the Cadets competed in the Shifting of Heavy Ordnance against the Garrison Batteries of Canada, and which they won.

ERNEST F. WURTELE.

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N.B. An illustration of the R. M. C. Detachment mentioned above will be found on page 71.



### THE FOOTBALL SEASON, 1926

We entered on the 1926 Season with the hope of at least capturing the Intermediate Intercollegiate Championship. Our team came up to expectations, and after some very close matches defeated Western University in the Final. It was then decided to go on and try for the Dominion Championship, which we did, and playing in zero weather on a bone hard ground were successful in defeating the Westward Team of Montreal in the Final.

The Juniors did very well, getting into the Final of the Intercollegiate, but were defeated by Toronto University in two very close games.

One very sad accident occurred during the season, when Gentleman Cadet T. W. Smart was injured during a practice game, and afterwards died from the result of this accident. Smart, though not a finished footballer, was tremendously keen, a fine sportsman in every way, and beloved by all.

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### *Intermediate Intercollegiate Rugby Finals*

#### R. M. C. at Western University.

We played our first game against the University of Western Ontario in London, on November 20th. The field was treacherous and covered with snow, which obscured the touchlines. In the first half R. M. C. had a slight "edge" and scored two points—a rouge and a kick to the dead line. The play was for the most part in "Western" territory, and we made yards on several occasions. A change of tactics after half time gave Western numerous gains as the game resolved into a kicking duel. Apparently unable to gain through the line, both teams kicked repeatedly, and Western, holding our wings on the line, succeeded in running back many of Tremain's long punts, thus placing themselves in position to score the two points which tied the game. Though hard fought from start to finish, the game was remarkably clean, the only two penalties being served by Western for minor offences. Final score was 2 to 2.

Western University—Flying wing, Bowman; halves, Kennedy, Warren, P. Hauch; quarter, Jewell; outsides, Kilmer, Hunter; middles, C. Hauch, Fairley; insides, Kress, White; snap, Morton; subs., Confort, Balkwell, E. Hauch, Bice, Scott, Calder.

R. M. C.—Flying wing, Darling; halves, Molson, Tremain, Ross; quarter, Pirie; outsides, McLeod, Fair; middles, Odum, Osler; insides, O'Brien, Wood; snap, Mather; subs., Nichol, Campbell, Savage, Parker, Massey, Francis, MacLaren.

Officials—W. Mallett and S. Manson, of Hamilton.

J. M. SAVAGE.



### Western University at R. M. C.

The second game of this series was played at the Richardson Stadium on November 24th. The ground was in bad condition, as it had been for nearly every game this season. The R. M. C. team was on the safe side of the play throughout the game, especially with its heavier line. The cadets got some lucky breaks, but would have won without them. Western worked very hard throughout the game, but had very hard luck.

In the first quarter Tremain opened by kicking to Warren for a rouge within two minutes of the start. A kicking duel ensued, until Molson broke through for yards. Western fought their way back with end runs. On the last of these P. Hauch passed to Warren, who ran 30 yards to the R. M. C. 5-yard line, where they were held. Jewell tried an onside kick, which Molson fumbled and Tremain recovered, for a rouge. Score: R. M. C., 1; Western, 1. After more kicking Molson made yards and Tremain kicked to Warren, who returned on the first down. R. M. C. now made yards twice on successive downs, and Darling missed by a foot on the third. Tremain kicked to Warren on the Western 20-yard line. He returned, and Darling went through for yards in two downs.

In the second quarter, R. M. C. made yards in two downs. Tremain kicked to Warren on Western's 5-yard line, where they were held and forced to kick. Darling again made yards. Tremain miskicked, and Western got possession on their own 12-yard line. R. M. C. regained the ball on a bad pass, and Tremain booted from the 45-yard line. Molson came up from onside and nearly took the ball over the touchline. Nichol plunged over on the first down, and Darling converted. Score: R. M. C., 7; Western, 1. Another kicking duel ensued. Molson then made yards in two, but hurt himself badly and had to be carried off. Campbell replaced him. Western regained the ball on a fumble, and Warren broke away for 35 yards. His pass was fozzled, but Western dribbled up the field, where Fair fell on the ball for a safety touch. Score: R. M. C., 7; Western, 3.

In the beginning of the third period Western assumed the offensive. Kicking was the dominant feature, although Tremain made yards once. Western was again unable to work their end-runs. Tremain recovered a fumble near the R. M. C. touchline and kicked to Warren, who ran the ball back and kicked to Tremain for a rouge. Score: R. M. C., 7; Western, 4.

On starting the last quarter R. M. C. got the lucky break of the game. Tremain kicked to Hauch. On the first down Kennedy made 40 yards. Warren kicked to Tremain, who returned. Warren passed to Kennedy, but the pass was intercepted by McLeod, who tok the ball down for a touch, which was not converted. Score: R. M. C., 12; Western, 4. For the remainder of the game the play fluctuated up and down the field. Western tried an onside kick, which Kennedy took over the touchline, but the play was declared dead in midfield, and Western never got another chance.

The teams were the same as in the first game, except that Savage and Walker were added to the R. M. C. subs; for Western, Comfort replaced C. Hauch at middle, and E. Hauch and Bice were dropped entirely.

The officials were W. P. Hughes, W. Campbell, and F. Baldwin, all of Queen's.

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### *Dominion Finals*

#### R. M. C. vs. Westward A. A. C., of Montreal.

The Intermediate Dominion Championship was decided by a sudden death game at the Richardson Stadium on December 4th. The field was

covered with snow, and a vicious wind was blowing from the north. Owing to the slipperiness of the ground and the frost-numbered hands of the players, the game developed into a kicking duel, plentifully interspersed with loose balls, fumbles, and lucky breaks. The winning was mainly due to Tremain's kicking.

For the majority of the first quarter both teams kicked, until Hodges of Westwards broke through for 25 yards.. Williams then kicked to Tremain on the R. M. C. 20-yard line. Recovering a fumble on an end run Tremain booted to Westwards' 30-yard line. Westwards were held, and Tremain returned the kick to Perry, who just got out from behind. R. M. C. regained the ball on Westwards' 20-yard line, but were held, and an onside kick resulted in a rouge. Score, R. M. C., 1; Westwards, 0. After the scrimmage Williams kicked to Tremain, who returned from the 40-yard line for a point. Score: R. M. C., 2; Westwards, 0. On a fake kick Tremain made 15 yards and kicked to Perry, who again just managed to clear.

In the second period the R. M. C. line held. Grant of Westwards kicked badly. Darling tried a drop against the wind from 30 yards out, which resulted in a rouge. Score, R. M. C., 3; Westwards, 0. After more kicking, Westwards picked up a fumble in midfield. Grant kicked to Molson, who dropped the ball, which was dribbled to the R. M. C. touchline, where Tremain recovered. Tremain kicked to Grant on the R. M. C. 30-yard line. Westwards made 8 yards and then recovered a kick through the scrimmage on the R. M. C. 10-yard line. Grant kicked a deadline. Score: R. M. C., 3; Westwards, 1. Players were finding the ball difficult to handle. Molson picked up a loose ball and made yards with Tremain.

In the third quarter R. M. C., taking advantage of the freshened wind, went after single points. Tremain's kick-off was nearly a deadline, but Perry ran it out 20 yards. Grant kicked to Molson, and Tremain kicked a deadline. Score: R. M. C., 4; Westwards, 1. Both lines held, and Grant kicked short to Westwards' 40-yard line. Tremain returned, and Hodges ran it back 20 yards. R. M. C. got Grant's kick on the 35-yard line, made yards, and Tremain kicked another deadline. Score: R. M. C., 5; Westwards, 1. Tremain recovered a fumble on Westwards' 40-yard line, and kicked to Perry, who fumbled in front of goal. Ross caught the loose ball and went over for a touch, which Darling converted. Score: R. M. C., 11; Westwards, 1.

In the last quarter Westwards staged a come-back. Perry kicked to Tremain for a rouge, and Hodges was hurt. Score: R. M. C., 11; Westwards, 2. Grant then kicked to Molson, who fumbled, Homer recovering the ball for an unconverted touch. Score: R. M. C., 11; Westwards, 7. Westwards now went all out; but R. M. C. tightened up and held them. Two onside kicks were just cleared, and then Grant tried a drop. This failed, and Tremain ran the ball out 10 yards. Shortly after, the game ended with Westwards forcing the play and R. M. C. holding them out.

R. M. C.—Flying wing, Darling; halves, Tremain, Molson, Ross; quarter, Pirie; snap, Mather; insides, O'Brien, Wood; middles, Osler, G. S., Odium; outsides, Fair and McLeod; subs., Massie, Francis, Campbell, Nichol, Parker, Walker and MacLaren.

Westwards—Flying wing, Williams; halves, Perry, Grant, McGarvie; quarter, Hodges; snap, Allan; insides, Morgan and Smith; middles, Burrell and Andrews; outsides, Homer and Shearer; subs., Cornell, Perry, Twizell, Martin, Anderson and Gravel.

Officials: J. Corrigan, Montreal; H. Batstone, Queen's; E. Hanna, McGill.

A. J. KERRY.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL, SPRING 1927.

The season was opened with a platoon league. Throughout these games the play was fast, but there was very little attempt at science. The most notable weakness of all four teams was in front of the goal, where hardly anyone could steady the ball and shoot straight and quickly. Times without number the forwards would bring the ball through the backs and then miskick. In this way a platoon could hold a very decided advantage on the play throughout the game, and yet fail to score or even lose. The inter-company game was much better in style, although the weakness in front of goal was still very noticeable and the combination was rather feeble in places. Half an hour's overtime was played in the No. 2 No. 4 platoon game, and twenty minutes in the inter-company game, won by "A" Company. The weather and grounds were good for all games.

Date	Teams	Score
Wednesday, April 13th.	No. 1 v. No. 2	2--1
	No. 3 v. No. 4	0--1
Saturday, April 16th.	No. 1 v. No. 3	1--0
	No. 2 v. No. 4	0--0
Wednesday, April 20th.	No. 1 v. No. 4	1--0
	No. 2 v. No. 3	0--1
Saturday, April 23rd.	"A" v. "B"	4--3

A. J. KERRY.

SQUASH

Squash is becoming more and more popular, as is shown by the difficulty in getting a court to play on and by the numbers entering the Company tournaments. The entries were three times as large as in any previous year.

The winner in the "B" Company tournament was L/Cpl. Pollard, with J. U. O. Smith, D.C., as runner up. In "A" Company G. C. Jacquays was first, and L/Cpl. Strathy the second man. These four represented their respective companies in the inter-company tournament, the result being L/Cpl. Pollard, "B" Company, the winner, and L/Cpl. Strathy, "A" Company, the runner up. As a result, "Beer" was awarded three points and "Ack" one point towards the inter-company championship.

F. B. ROLPH.

THE LAFFERTY CUP COMPETITION, 1926  
RESULT.

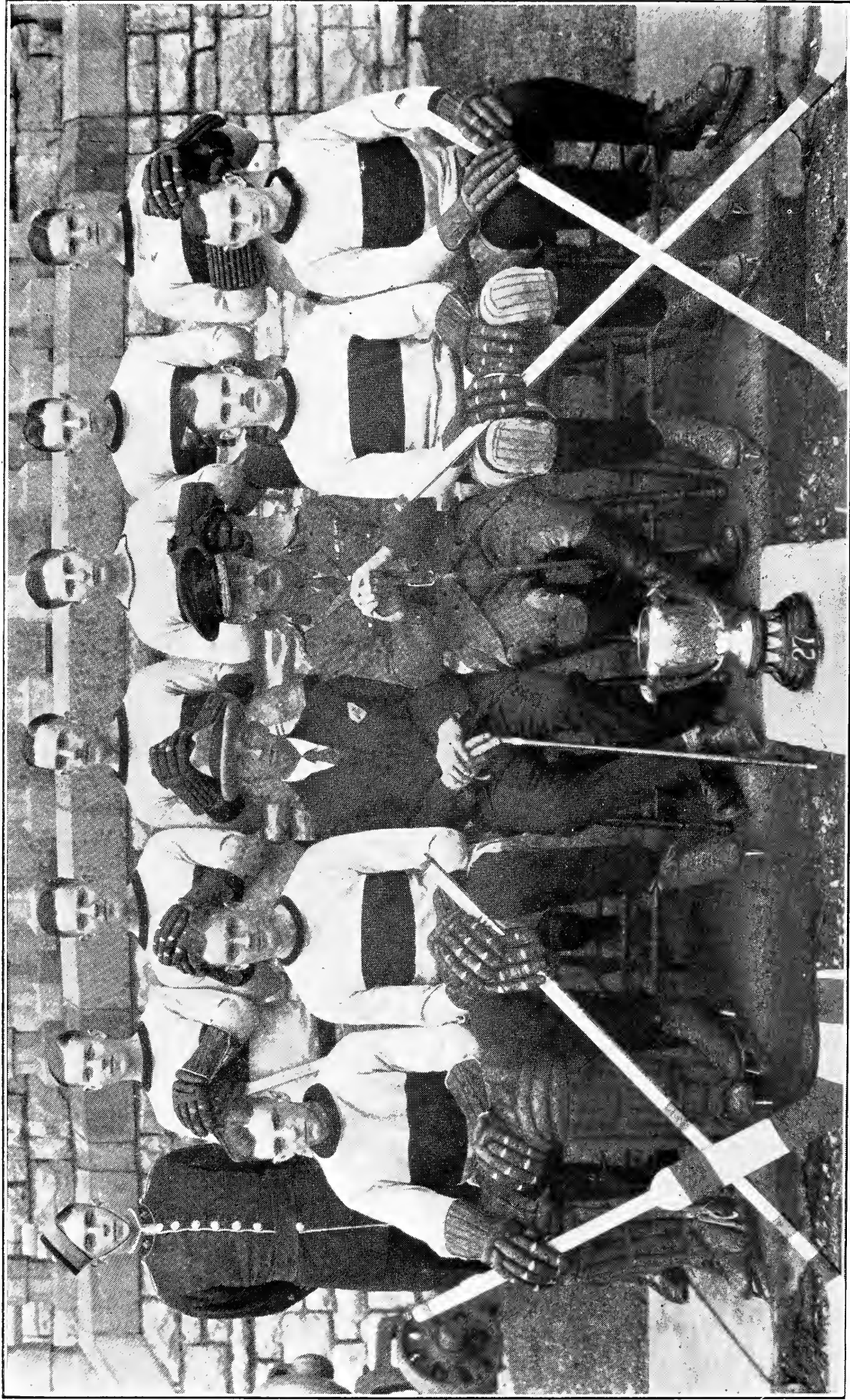
TEAM	1¼ Mile Relay		1 Mile		High Jump		50 yards	Swim	Total
	Mins.	Pts.	Mins.	Pts.	Ft. Ins.	Pts.	Secs.	Pts.	
R. M. A., Woolwich .....	5.40	0	4.53 1/5	0	5' 3¼"	0	33 1/5	0	0
R. M. C., Australia .....	5.28 3/10	3	4.53	1	5' 4 6/10"	3	27 3/5	3	10
R. M. C., Canada .....	5.38 2/5	1	4.49 1/5	2	5' 3 7/10"	1	29	2	6
R. M. C., Sandhurst .....	5.24 4/5	5	4.42 2/5	3	5' 4¼"	2	30 1/5	1	11



ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE FIRST FOOTBALL TEAM  
Intermediate Intercollegiate and Dominion Champions, 1926

Standing:—Fair, Smith, H. C., Massie, J. H., MacLaren, Nichol, Campbell, E. D., O'Brien, Capt. F. M. Harvey, V.C. (President), Col.-Commandant, C. F. Constantine, D.S.O., Wood, Molson, Ross, A. D., Parker, Savage, McLeod, Smith, D. C. (Manager)  
Sitting:—Darling, Walker, J. R., Mather, Tremain (Captain), Osler, G. S., Odhum, Pirie.





ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE FIRST HOCKEY TEAM

Intermediate Intercollegiate Champions, 1927.

Standing:—Smith, H. C. (Manager), Molson, Darling, Walker, Mather, Fair, Clarke.  
 Sitting:—Kingsmill, Osler, G. S., T. F. Gelley, Esq. (President and Coach), Colonel-Commandant C. F. Constantine, D.S.O.,  
 Tremain (Captain), Smith, G. W.



## BASKETBALL NOTES

This is the first year that the College has been represented in an organized league, a team having been entered in the Kingston Intermediate group.

In the first game at Queen's the team showed its lack of experience, and was decisively beaten by the excellent combination of their opponents.

During the following week the team was ably coached by Mr. Lowe, and it was a very different lot of players who faced the Y. M. C. A. on the home floor for the next game, and, after a ding-dong battle, beat them handily.

The return game with Queen's was probably the best of the season, the play being evenly divided in the first half. In the second half the visitors' greater experience once again stood them in good stead, and once more they were victors, but this time by a few points only. Mackay at guard and Cushing on the forwards were conspicuous in this game.

The College was again victorious in their return game with the Y. M. C. A., thus finishing second in the group with 2 wins and 2 losses, while Queen's was first with 3 wins and 1 loss.

As Queen's could not represent the group, it fell to our lot to play Belleville to decide the winner of the eastern section.

Here bad luck overtook us, as Cushing, high scoring man on the team, was forced out of the game with an injured foot, and was greatly missed in the final games. The first of these was on the home floor. Both teams were well matched in open play, but under the basket the visitors were noticeably stronger, and won after a hard battle.

In the return game the team was out to overcome Belleville's lead, and for the first few minutes the play was all under the opposing basket, but the shooting was not strong enough to make the most of it, and our opponents' superior basket work gave them the game and the round. This ended the season for the College.

The line up: Regulars: Cushing, Chapman, Crombie, Odlum, Mackay (Capt.). Subs.: Pirie, Parker, Warnock, Campbell, Fell.

Basketball has always had an uphill climb at the College, but now that a start has been made we hope that the good work may be continued in the future.

A. T. FELL.

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## TENNIS.

Tennis at the College is gradually regaining the position of prominence which it enjoyed before the war. Activities at present, however, are very much curtailed owing to the poor condition of the tennis courts. The material with which the courts are made is a very coarse gravel, making it almost impossible to obtain a true bounce from the ball.. The courts are not in a fit condition for playing until some forty-eight hours after a heavy rain.

Despite the several handicaps which have made practice impossible, the College has made a very creditable showing in the Intercollegiate tennis meets of the past two years. The meet last year was held in Toronto, the College being represented by a team of five men, namely, Cushing, Griffin, W. M. R., Osler, G. F., Pollard and Robinson. The Inter-Company tennis for this year has not yet been played off. The autumn is the most convenient time for the running of such a tournament, but here again the poor

condition of the courts held things back. It is hoped, however, that there will be sufficient time this spring to complete what was started in the fall.

The interest in tennis would greatly increase if good courts could be substituted for those at present in use, and the Tennis Committee hope that within the next year such will be the case.

J. C. CUSHING.

## ATHLETIC NOTICES

### Hockey.

No. 4 Platoon won the Inter-platoon Hockey Championship. "B" Company won the Inter-company hockey match, 5 to 4.

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### Squash Racquets.

The following is the result of the Squash Racquets competition:

Winner: No. 1754, G. C. (L/Cpl.) Pollard, F. C., "B" Co.

Runner-up: No. 1762 G. C. (L/Cpl.) Strathy, C. M. A., "A" Co.

### Basketball.

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No. 3 Platoon won the Inter-platoon basketball championship. "A" Co. won the Inter-company basketball. 45 points to 12 points.

The Cadets played more basketball this year than heretofore, as outside our regular schedule of platoon and Inter-Company games, our team entered in the Intermediate Ontario Basketball League, and were selected to represent Kingston against Belleville in the play-off for the Central Group Championship. The College were eventually beaten after two very close games.

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### Cups.

The following cups have been presented to the College by the donors, who won the old cups outright:

The Ross Patton Cup (replacing the Pitblado Cup). Won outright by No. 1809, G. C. (L/Cpl.) Patton, H.R.

The Smith Bugle (replacing the Kingsmill Bugle). Won outright by No. 1818, G. C. Smith, G.W.

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### Lafferty Cup.

R. M. C., Sandhurst, won the Lafferty Cup competition for 1926. R.M.C., Australia, came second, with R.M.C., Canada, third.

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### Fencing.

Inter-Company Bayonet Fencing Pool:

Winner: No. 1731, G. C. (Sgt.) Fell, A. T., "B" Co.

Runner-up: No. 1667, G. C. (L/Sgt.) Buell, D. B., "A" Co.

### Harriers.

The showing in this Senior Intercollegiate event was extremely good. Competing in senior company against McGill, Queen's and 'Varsity, with two of our best men away in Montreal on the Rugby team, the College obtained second place.

### Gymnastic Competition.

"A" Company won the Inter-Company Gymnastic Competition for 1927. The following scores were made: "A" Company, 361 points; "B" Company, 354 points.

### Soccer.

No. 4 Platoon won the Inter-Platoon soccer championship. The Inter-Company game was played on the 23rd of April, and was won by "A" Company by the score of 4 to 3.



### *Junior Intercollegiate.*

#### QUEEN'S AT R. M. C.

February 5th.

The first game of the junior series took place at the Harty Arena on Saturday, Feb. 5th. It was a fast and clean game. R. M. C. had a decided edge in the first period, and led by 2 goals. Nichol at centre for R. M. C. was fast and shot well. Macpherson for Queen's gave Beck plenty of shots to stop, some from close in. In the second period Queen's came back and scored three, all from scrimmages from in front of the net. McAvity evened the score for the College in the third period, but Macpherson broke through to score the winning goal. Ross, R. M. C. defence man, was seriously hurt when he fell against another player's skates. The game ended 4 to 3 in favour of Queen's. Referee: J. L. Smith.

R. M. C.—Beck, Ross, Massie, Nichol, Cunningham, McAvity, Carscallen, Riley and Vokes.

Queen's—Molter, Logan, Hughes, Macpherson, Bibby, Sheppard, Gourlay, Sanis and Hare.

#### R. M. C. AT QUEEN'S.

February 16th.

The College showed better condition in the third period, when they scored two goals to win the game by 3 to 1, and the round by 6 to 5. It was rather a loose game, neither team playing much combination, but they nevertheless gave the fans flashes of good hockey. After five minutes of play Macpherson and Bibby scored the first goal on a good combination play. Six minutes later Watson evened the score when he combined with Massie on a great rush to shoot the puck past Molter.

There was no score in the second period, but the play was fast. The third period was well under way when Nichol broke with Massie, accepted Massie's pass, and shot past Queen's goaler. Less than twenty seconds later

Nichol again took the puck and beat Molter on a perfect shot. Queen's played five men up on the forward line, but were unable to score. The Cadets won the game and the round.

R. M. C.—Beck, Massie, Ross, Nichol, Cunningham, McAvity, Riley, Carscallen and Watson.

Queen's—Molter, Logan, Hughes, Macpherson, Sheppard, Bibby, Gourlay, Samis and Armstrong.

### *Junior Intercollegiate Finals.*

R. M. C. vs. K. C. I.

February 18th.

The final game of the local group was the fastest junior game of the season. R. M. C. had the better of the play during the first period, but the K. C. I. outskated and outshot the Cadets in the last two. The College team played excellent combination during the first period, and had it not been for the sensational work of Bruce in goal for K. C. I. would have had a big lead. McAvity did excellent work at close quarters, but could not score.

In the second period Matheson and Patterson combined to score, but Massie evened the score for the College by stickhandling his way from end to end. K. C. I. again scored on a combination play, and Patterson, a few minutes later, scored a rebound off the boards and made the score 3 to 1.

Play roughened up in the third period. Matheson scored on a good shot. The Cadets strengthened towards the middle of the period. A lucky goal for K. C. I. was their last one. Beck had handled it, but did not clear well, the puck falling just inside the line. Massie, on another splendid rush, beat Bruce, and Nichol scored soon after on a nice shot. The game ended in favour of K. C. I. by the score of 5 to 3. Referee: J. L. Smith.

R. M. C.—Back, Massie and Ross, Cunningham and McAvity, Carscallen, Watson and O'Brien.

K. C. I.—Bruce, Cruse and Day, Patterson, Matheson and Gibson, Amey, Hunt and Amey.

T. F. G.

### *Intermediate Intercollegiate*

QUEEN'S AT R. M. C.

January 12th.

Queen's brought out a strong team with four senior regulars, and at that had difficulty in beating the College team. This was R. M. C.'s third game (this match counting in the O. H. A. series), and they shaped up better, but lacked the scoring punch. Both teams gave all they had, but Queen's showed more speed and more experience. Kingsmill played a remarkable game in goal, and more than made up for his previous weaknesses. On the play, Queen's deserved to win. Tremain, Molson, Clarke and Smith each scored for the College, and Wright, Bellamy (3), Grimes and Legon scored for Queen's. The score by periods was 3-3, 5-3, 6-4. From the opening of the second period Queen's superiority was marked, and they maintained a fast pace for the remainder of the game. Most of the scores were made on rebounds, which shows that the plays were brought in close, and marked by plenty of combination rushes. The final score was 6 to 4 for Queen's.

Queen's—Morris, Bellamy, Wright, Reid, Legon, Grimes, Whitton, Boland.

R. M. C.—Kingsmill, Osler, Walker, Smith, Tremain, Clarke, Fair, Molson.

## R. M. C. AT QUEEN'S.

January 22nd.

The Cadets had little difficulty in disposing of a weakened Queen's team. This was the first victory of the season for the College team, and they made it a good one. The Cadets were superior throughout the match, and worked excellently as a team. The first period was rather ragged, the checking close, and the shots from outside the defence. The second period, however, saw combination plays that overwhelmed the Tricolor. Lindsay scored Queen's only goal on a pretty rush, beating all three defence men. For R. M. C. the following scored: Tremain (2), Osler, Mather, Walker, Smith (2), Clarke. The score by periods was 1-0, 6-0, 9-1. Smith, Tremain and Clarke played combination throughout the last two periods, and gave Mills in Queen's goal a very busy time. The game ended in favour of the Cadets by the score of 9 to 1.

R. M. C.—Kingsmill, Osler, Walker, Smith, Tremain, Clarke, Molson, Mather.

Queen's—Mills, Pelton, McKelvey, Lindsay, Morin, Boland, Grimes, Tobin.

*Intermediate Intercollegiate Finals*

R. M. C. vs. WESTERN UNIVERSITY.

March 3rd.

Loyola, winners of the Montreal group, had to default their match against the Kingston winners, leaving the College to play the western winners. Arrangements were completed to play a sudden death game in Brantford with Western University on March 3rd.

The College did not score until well in the third period, but never at any time did it look as though they might lose the match. Kress, in goal for Western, played a remarkable game, and was the reason for the small score. The Cadets shot at all angles and from all distances, but could not beat him. Towards the end the play became strenuous, and the work of Tremain stood out. Clarke and Smith worked the first goal on a combination, Clarke scoring on the pass-in. Clarke also secured the second goal on a pass-in, but had to get the rebound to tally. Mowry scored the two goals for Western, one from the wing and one from well outside the defence. Osler scored the winning goal when he broke fast with Tremain and Clarke, split the defence, and carried the puck past the goal-tender on the prettiest rush of the game. The Cadets won the game by the score of 3 to 2.

R. M. C.—Kingsmill, Osler, Walker, Smith, Tremain, Clarke, Molson, Mather and Darling.

Western—Kress, Walkem, Procunier, McTague, Lanoue, Mowrey, Tie-man, Kelly, and Kidd.

*The O.H.A. Series*

Ten games were played in the O. H. A. series. The College team, starting off badly, with a minimum of practice, managed to show improvement with each succeeding game. Our worst match was against Belleville, when the defence were unable to solve Goyer's attack, and let him through ten times to score eight goals. Our best games were those against Kingston, each team winning one. The Cadets should have won their game against Brockville in Brockville, and might have beaten Cornwall in Cornwall had



they not slowed down in the third period and allowed Cornwall to get a lead. The whole of the series, as far as the College team was concerned, was marked by excellent combination, but the team fell down in the point of speed. The second game against Kingston on January 26th saw the Cadets at the top of their form. At no time in the game were the clever speedsters of the Kingston team superior. Smith held Lawlor at centre, and Kingsmill cleared all of Bellringer's close-in shots seemingly with ease. Tremain, Smith and Clarke, as a forward line, relieved by Molson, Mather, Fair, Darling and Nichol, worked hard and well in all games. On the defence Osler and Walker, with Kingsmill in goal, showed steady improvement, Kingsmill especially. Rushes by Osler and Walker were brilliant at times, and deserve more than passing mention. The O. H. A. No. 1 group was won by Cornwall. R. M. C. finished in fourth place.

### SCHEDULE

Date	Game	Winner	Score
January 7th.	Cornwall at R. M. C.	Cornwall	8 to 4
" 10th.	R. M. C. at Cornwall	Cornwall	7 to 4
" 12th.	Queen's at R. M. C.	Queen's	6 to 4
" 17th.	Kingston at R. M. C.	Kingston	4 to 3
" 19th.	R. M. C. at Brockville	Brockville	2 to 0
" 22nd.	R. M. C. at Queen's	R. M. C.	9 to 1
" 26th.	R. M. C. at Kingston	R. M. C.	3 to 2
" 31st.	R. M. C. at Belleville	Belleville	11 to 3
February 2nd.	Brockville at R. M. C.	R. M. C.	4 to 2
" 11th.	Belleville at R. M. C.	Belleville	7 to 3

T. F. G.

## *Exhibition Hockey*

### UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY vs. ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE.

February 19th.

Playing superior hockey all the way, R. M. C. intermediates had little trouble defeating West Point Military Academy team, in their international hockey game at the Harty Arena on Saturday night by the score of 7 to 2. Despite the one-sided score, it was an interesting game to watch, and had the visitors been able to show the same condition that R. M. C. did, the score would have been much closer. The fact that West Point have not had ice for three weeks, and were therefore lacking in practice, hampered them greatly, but they certainly did fight hard to the very last.

The U. S. M. A. team bore all the marks of a fine outfit, and with practice would make any team step fast to beat them. They check well, are nice skaters, but fell down when it came to carrying the puck. In Lewis, their goal-tender, they displayed a real net guardian, one who could rank with any in the country, and his work was the occasion for hearty applause from the spectators.

It was a most colorful game, with American and Canadian officers mingling in the Arena. Over the centre of the ice were suspended large Union Jacks and American flags, while the box in which were seated Col. Constantine, Commandant of the R. M. C.; Major Sassa, representing General Stewart, Superintendent of West Point, and American Consul F. S. S. Johnston, was draped with flags of both countries. The R. C. H. A. band was in attendance, and when the teams lined up at centre, every one stood at attention while the band played "God Save the King" and "The Star Spangled Banner."

From the start Lewis displayed his wares to the delight of the crowd, some of his stops being remarkable. R. M. C. broke through the defence, and had a sure goal, when Lewis dropped to his knees and picked off Smith's drive. Several times he was called upon to make hard stops, but he seemed right on the job, and turned aside shot after shot. Daly carried the play down the ice for West Point, but his shot was weak, and again R. M. C. went up to test Lewis. Finally after seventeen minutes of play Walker scored the first goal of the game when he tore through the entire West Point team and beat Lewis from close in. A minute later Molson tallied when he was on the spot to bang in the rebound from Smith's shot.

Four minutes after the start of the second period Tremain and Smith worked a nice combination play, the former scoring from close in. Lewis came back to life, and for most of the period was kept busy picking off shots from all angles. Smith and Tremain beat the defence, but Lewis was waiting with open arms for the drive. In eighteen minutes from the start Mather got another goal for the cadets on a pass from Molson, and half a minute later Molson landed a counter on an individual effort.

West Point started with a rush in the third period, and for a few minutes overwhelmed R. M. C. Thiebaud circled around Walker, and gave Kingsmill little chance to stop his shot. Less than half a minute later Muscatelli shot a pretty pass to Sawyer, and the latter carried the puck right to the nets, pushing the rubber past the R. M. C. goaler. The crowd was clearly pleased with the work of the visitors, and gave them a great hand after their two goals. R. M. C. squared away again, and in short order Smith put his team further ahead when he faked a pass and worked through the defence to score on a corner shot. Play wore away with West Point's good back-checking stopping many dangerous rushes, and, with less than a minute to play, Smith landed the last score of the game when his lone rush carried him to the West Point goal-mouth. Final score, 7 to 2.

The game was remarkably clean, not a penalty being handed out by Referee C. A. Devlin.

The teams were:—

R. M. C.—Kingsmill, goal; Walker, Osler, defence; Smith, centre; Tremain, Clarke, wings; Molson, Mather, Darling, Fair, Beck, subs.

West Point—Lewis, goal; Daly, Thiebaud, defence; Muscatelli, centre; Sawyer, McNamara, wings; Browning, Linquist, Simonton, Harkins, Wolfroth, subs.

The summary was:

1st Period—R. M.C., Walker, 17.00; R.M.C., Molson, 18.00.

2nd Period—R.M.C., Tremain, 4.00; R.M.C., Mather, 18.00; R.M.C., Molson, 18.30.

3rd Period—West Point, Thiebaud, 3.00; West Point, Sawyer, 3.20; R.M.C., Smith, 4.00; R.M.C., Smith, 19.10.

### CITY CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES.

This series was played after the completion of the O. H. A. schedule at Queen's rink. Queen's entered their Senior and Junior Intercollegiate teams, Kingston their Intermediate and Junior O. H. A. teams, and the College their Intermediate and Junior Intercollegiate teams. Kingston opened the series on February 21st with Queen's, and won its game, both senior and junior. The second set of games took place on Wednesday, February 23rd, in which the Cadets beat Queen's Seniors and Juniors, thereby eliminating Queen's. The cadets then met the Kingston teams in a double-

header on March 2nd. The Juniors lost to Kingston after a scrappy game, and the Intermediates tied their match after a strenuous hour. The College refused to play overtime, as they had to play Western University in Brantford on the following night. This game was re-played on March 11th, when Kingston Intermediates had little difficulty in winning from the College.

### Results Senior Series.

Kingston won 2, lost 0, tied 1; points, 2.

R. M. C. won 1, lost 1, tied 1; points, 1.

Queen's won 0, lost 2, tied 0; points, 0.

### Results Junior Series.

Kingston won 2, lost 0; points, 2.

R. M. C. won 1, lost 1; points, 1.

Queen's won 0, lost 2; points, 0.

T. F. G.

## Inter-Platoon Series

The Platoon series this year played on the Holt Rink was won by No. 4 Platoon. The matches were well contested. No less than four out of the ten games played resulted in draws. No. 1 Platoon drew three games out of its five games played. The hockey was of the aggressive type but clean, and the total of 150 goals scored by all teams during the series creates a record. The mildness of the weather prevented the completion of the schedule, and each team was left with a game to play. No. 4 Platoon, however, had sufficient points to win, despite the outcome of the remaining two games.

The schedule provided home and home games for all teams, but the games, No. 4 vs. No. 1 and No. 3 vs. No. 2, had to be cancelled, each team playing five matches instead of six. Two points were awarded for a win and one point to each team for a draw. Overtime matches were not allowed. The following were the line-ups of the teams:

Position	No. 1 Platoon	No. 2 Platoon	No. 3 Platoon	No. 4 Platoon
Goal	Wotherspoon, I. H.	Strathy, C. M. A.	Stratton	Ritchie
R. Defence	Campbell, E. D.	Savage, J. M.	O'Brien	Sparling
L. Defence	Eberts, H. L.	Crombie, G.	Orwell	Stevenson
Centre	Talbot, G.	Carscallen	Darcy	Rainnie
R. Wing	Wishart, G.	Jordan	Hall	Gobeil
L. Wing	Rolph, F. B.	Dunne, B.	Watson	Pirie
Subs.,	McLean	Cantlie, S.	Cushing	Stanfield
"	Vokes, F. A.	Jaquays, H. M.	Riley	Smith, D. C.
"	Osler, G. F.	Miall	Scott	Smith, R. G. C.
"	McLeod, D. G.	Ross, D. P.	Fraser, R. H.	Gourley
"		Costello, M.	Cousens	
"		Gordon	Price	
Managers	How, E. J.	H. R. Patton	J. F. Thrasher	G. R. Blaikie

### PLATOON HOCKEY SERIES.

Date	Teams	Winner	Score
Jan. 31—	No. 1 vs. No. 2 .....	Tie	2-2
Feb. 5—	No. 3 vs. No. 4 .....	No. 4	7-6
" 7—	No. 1 vs. No. 3 .....	Tie	4-4
" 9—	No. 2 vs. No. 4 .....	No. 4	7-0
" 12—	No. 1 vs. No. 4 .....	No. 4	6-0
" 14—	No. 2 vs. No. 3 .....	No. 3	6-3
" 16—	No. 2 vs. No. 1 .....	No. 1	7-0
" 19—	No. 4 vs. No. 3 .....	Tie	2-2
" 21—	No. 3 vs. No. 1 .....	Tie	4-4
" 23—	No. 4 vs. No. 2 .....	No. 4	8-1
" 26—	No. 4 vs. No. 1 .....	No game	
" 28—	No. 3 vs. No. 2 .....	No game	

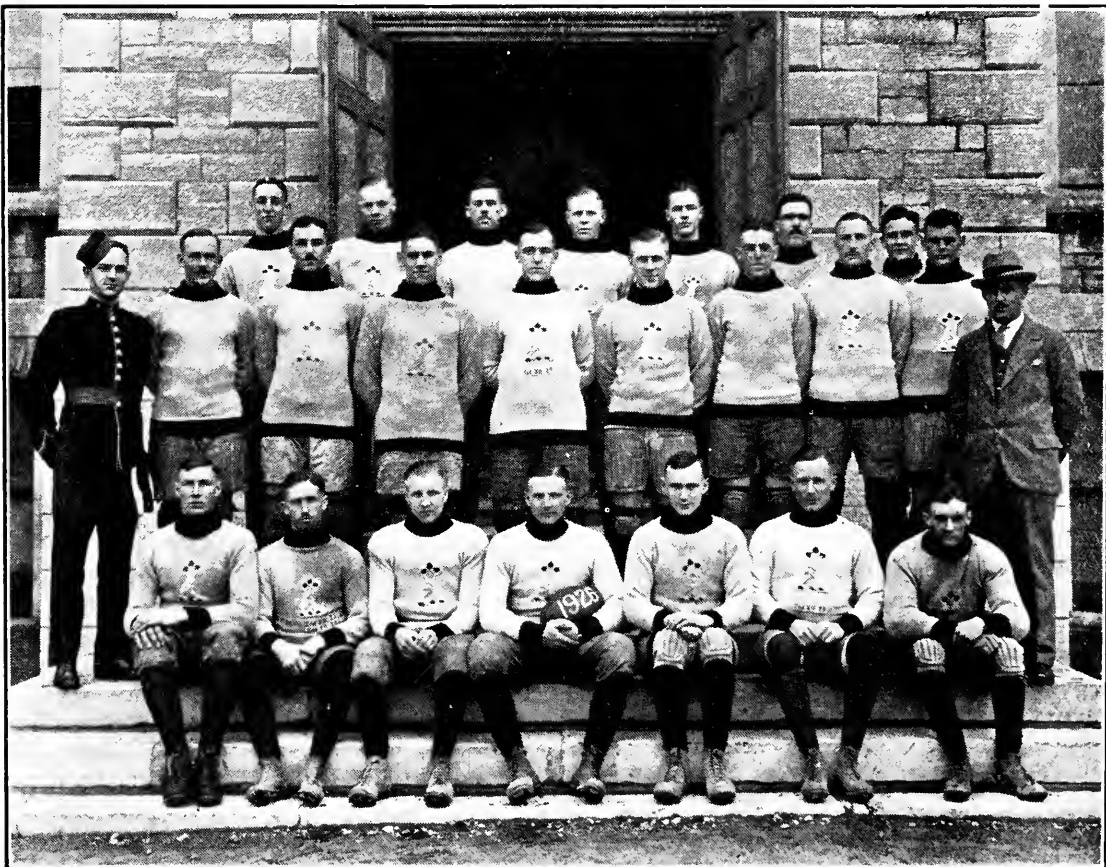


#### R. M. C. SECOND HOCKEY TEAM

##### Junior Intercollegiate.

Standing:—H. P. Emond, Esq., Watson, Massie, R. H. L., Riley, Carscallen, Smith, H. C.

Sitting:—Beck, Ross, A.D., McAvity, Nichol (Captain), Cunningham, Cantlie.

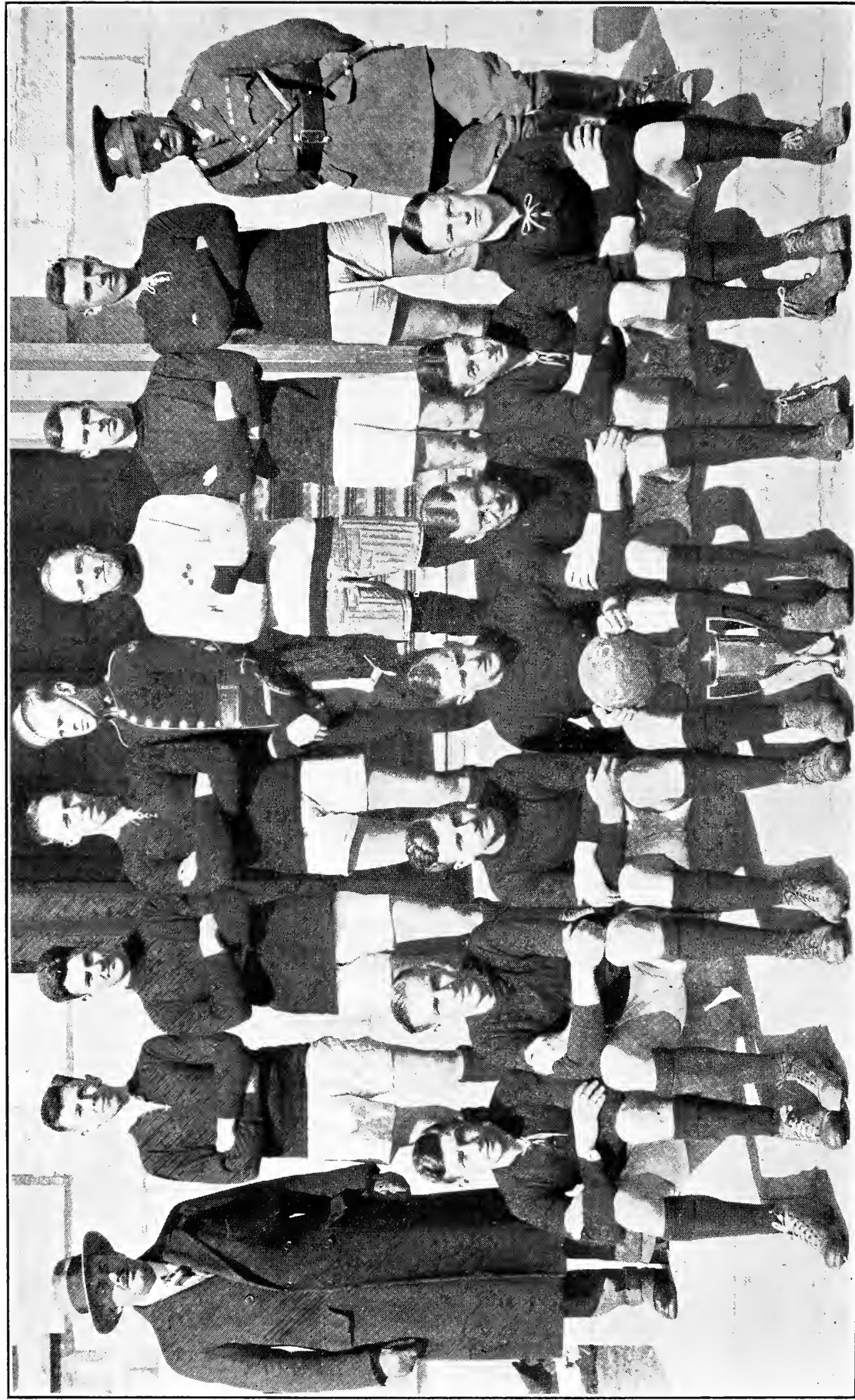


#### R. M. C. SECOND FOOTBALL TEAM

Standing:—Smith, D. C., Wotherspoon, Gordon, Osler, G. F., Sise, Clarke, Sparling, Gobeil, Stanfield, Vokes, McLaughlin, Dunne, Scott, Crombie, Jacquays, Higgins, H. P. Emond, Esq.

Sitting:—Gaisford, Rolph, Cushing, Eberts (Capt.), Smith, G. W., Hudson, Kingsmill.





R. M. C. ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL TEAM  
Kingston and District Champions, 1926

Standing:—Capt. S. A. Lee, Ross, Mackay, Pollard, Elliot (Mgr.), Birks, Morres, Hennell, Lieut. R. Richmond (President).  
Sitting:—O'Kelly, Fell, Wolfe-Merton, Buell (Captain), Talbot, Groves, Mooney.



No. 4 Platoon won the series, and was awarded five points to count towards the Inter-company Championship. No. 4 Platoon also won the Kingston Hockey Club cup.

Platoon	Points	Goals for	Goals against
No. 4 .....	9	30	9
No. 3 .....	5	22	20
No. 1 .....	5	17	16
No. 2 .....	1	6	30

T. F. G.

## INTER-COMPANY MATCH

The annual Inter-Company Match was played on March 9th at 2.30 p.m. at the Jock Harty Arena. Queen's Athletic Board of Control kindly placed their rink at our disposal for the game, and gave the teams a splendid sheet of ice.

From the face-off the game was fast and good. Smith carried the puck to "B" Company's defence, but Osler intercepted the pass and broke with Tremain. Tremain accepted a good pass and shot from well outside the defence, but Rolph cleared. A Fair to Smith combination resulted in a goal by Smith, but it was not allowed. Molson scored in the first period when he accepted a pass from Rainnie, circled the defence and shot. The second period saw some excellent team work. Both forward lines attempted to get inside the defence. Rolph cleared two hard shots from Tremain, and Kingsmill saved on three Smith to Clark combinations. Molson and Nichol drew penalties for bodying. Tremain scored on a wonderful shot from left wing. Smith scored the first goal for "A" Company when he stick-handled his way through to beat Kingsmill on a low shot.

The game, despite the speed of the first two periods, did not slacken up in the third period. "A" Company combination was fooling Walker and Osler, but Kingsmill cleared well. Crombie, accepting a pass from Smith, shot high and hit Kingsmill above the eye, forcing him to leave the game. Beck replaced Kingsmill. Tremain beat Rolph on a high shot, making the score 3 to 1 for "B" Company. Clarke worked his way through, but seemed unable to place his shots. Massie, who had been playing a splendid game, stickhandled his way through, passed to Clarke, who scored. Osler increased "B" Company's lead when he intercepted a pass, Smith to Fair, and broke with Tremain to fool Massie and Nichol, and score.

Fair beat Beck on a good shot. Rainnie on a good rush scored from the goal line on a back hand shot that hit Rolph and bounded in. Fair scored the last goal of the game on a good combination rush. The game ended in favor of "B" Company by the score of 5 to 4.

"A" Company—Goal, Ralph; defence, Massie and Nichol; centre, Smith; wings, Clarke and Fair; subs., Talbot, McAvity, Crombie and Cantlie.

"B" Company—Goal, Kingsmill; defence, Osler and Walker; centre, Molson; wings, Tremain and Mather; subs., Darling, Rainnie, Gobeil and Beck.

Referee, Mr. T. F. Gelley; umpire, Mr. H. P. Emond.

T. F. G.

## PERSONAL NOTES ON THE HOCKEY TEAM.

**Tremain, K. H.** (Captain of the First Team, Left Wing)—The physical reaction of a strenuous football season during which he captained the first team to the Dominion Championship, left him unable to bear up his wing

during the first part of the season. However, he came up to scratch in the last few games. Both his speed and stickhandling improved. Has an excellent shot, but was a trifle too eager to use it in place of boring in for shots at closer range and of greater accuracy. Back-checked well. He handled his team well and carried out his duties conscientiously.

**Osler, G. S. (Right Defence)**—Best stick handler on the team. A most effective player on the offensive, but could have played a steadier game on defence. Breaks quickly and keeps his rushes well to centre ice. He will have to overcome his keenness to secure the puck rather than to cover his legitimate opponent. Clever in front of the opponents' nets. Could use his weight to better advantage.

**Smith, G. W. (Centre)**—Hard-working and effective player, always in position. Has a deplorably poor shot. The one man on the team who continually tried to bore in. Did not secure a quarter of the goals he deserved because of his poor shooting. He is a slow skater, but despite this his back-checking was effective. A little given to circling when closing on the opponents' defence in place of attacking direct, especially when accompanied by two team-mates.

**Clarke, L. G. (Right Wing)**—Probably the most effective man in the team. Had little relief during the season. Stick-handles well and shoots accurately. Another year's experience will make him an excellent wing man; must learn to shoot without preliminary placing, and must learn to take advantage of rebounds. More speed and quicker breaking-in when in line with the opposing defence will make him a goal-getter.

**Walker, J. R. (Left Defence)**—Strong skater and occasionally a brilliant rusher. Weak on passes and only fairly accurate in shooting. Bodies well on defence, but slow on recovery of the puck in his own territory. Needs to steady down on defence. A little more experience will make him a valuable defence man.

**Kingsmill, N. (Goal)**—Except for his first two games, he played remarkably well during the entire season. Handicapped by size, he nevertheless made it up by quickness of motion. Must learn to handle his stick equally well with the right as with the left hand and learn to clear the puck without confusing his own team-mates. A little weak on chest shots. These faults will disappear with experience. Deserves congratulations on his progress during the season.

**Molson, H. deM. (Forward)**—Handicapped by lack of speed. A hard-working forward, tricky and effective. Bored in well, and has an excellent snap shot. Needs speed and power in long shots. Could do with less of the combative spirit in the forward area. Relieved Smith in centre, and made a good job of it.

T. F. G.

### COLLEGE "ARMS."

"A" Arms were awarded to the following: K. H. Tremain, G. S. Osler, J. R. Walker, G. W. Smith, L. G. Clarke and N. Kingsmill.

"B" Arms were awarded to the following: L. C. Mather, P. C. Fair, H. deM. Molson, W. W. Darling, R. M. Beck, R. H. L. Massie, A. D. Ross, D. G. Cunningham, C. J. S. Nichol, J. L. McAvity, J. M. Watson.

"C" Arms were awarded to the following: H. M. Carscallen, R. T. Riley.

## REVIEW OF HOCKEY SEASON

The season of 1926-27 has been indeed a strenuous one. Three things mark it as outstanding; first, our re-entry into the Ontario Hockey Association; secondly, the pleasure of a home game with the United States Military Academy's team; and thirdly, the winning of the Intermediate Intercollegiate championship. The first team played a total of fifteen games, four of which were exhibition games; the juniors played five games, and the Company and Platoon teams eleven games, making a grand total of thirty-one games during the season.

The local intermediate intercollegiate games were played on the O.H.A. schedule, our matches with Queen's counting in both groups. Queen's defeated the College in the first game, 6 to 4, but were decisively beaten, 9 to 1, in the second game. In the semi-finals, Loyola were forced to default, leaving the cadets to play Western University. The final game was played in Brantford, and the cadets had no great difficulty in winning from Western, 3 to 2.

The junior team defeated Queen's, but were in turn defeated by K.C.I. in a sudden death game for the honours in this group.

The O. H. A. series in Group 1 consisted of ten games for each team. The cadets were off to a bad start, through lack of practice and the illness of Tremain, Walker and Molson, but as the season wore on made a much better showing. Games were played against Cornwall, Brockville, Belleville, Queen's and Kingston. Cornwall won the group.

The annual match against West Point took place at the Harty Arena on February 19th. The College won by the score of 7 to 2. The West Pointers were badly handicapped by lack of practice, but still made an excellent showing, and the work of Lewis in goal was exceptionally good. There has been a most noticeable improvement in the team play of the U. S. M. A. team over previous years, and in the event of a covered rink being built at West Point the College cadets will be placed under strain to hold their own at their national sport.

Our thanks are extended to Queen's Athletic Board of Control for the use of the Harty Arena. Mr. J. S. McDonell, secretary of the Board, very kindly let us have hours for practice and games at times best suited to ourselves.

The Platoon games and practices took place at the Holt Rink, where a splendid sheet of ice was available all winter. With a few exceptions, the games were well contested, and were productive of excellent hockey. No. 4 Platoon won the series. The Inter-company match, played at the Harty Arena on March 9th, was one of the fastest and best games of the season, and was won by "B" Company by the score of 5 to 4.

The graduating class again leave us poorer. Tremain, who so ably captained the football and hockey teams to championships; Osler, G.S., the mainstay of the defence; Mather and Fair, substitute forwards, belong to the class of 1927, and will next season be playing hockey with other teams. We were fortunate in having as manager H. C. Smith. He was always ready for work, and looked after the two teams in his usual efficient and cheerful way. It is a thankless and heavy task, as a rule, but he laughed his way through all difficulties. He was ably assisted in his work by R. B. Rolph. We wish the graduating members of the team the very best of good fortune and the best of good teams.

T. F. G.

## ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE RIFLE CLUB NOTES

### Season 1926-27

A very interesting and successful season has just closed on the Miniature Range. Shooting was carried out from December to April.

This consisted of monthly shoots for College spoons, D. C. R. A. competitions (both .22" Miniature and .303" Gallery Practice), 3 teams being entered in each competition.

The competitive spirit was excellent, keen interest being shown by the competitors; the standard reached was very high, the 4th Class producing some excellent shots.

Attendance throughout was splendid, each class being well represented.

Telescopes have been purchased, one for each firer, thus enabling each competitor to mark his own shots and make the necessary alterations in sighting, etc. This has proved of great value, saving considerable time, thereby permitting a larger number of men to fire during the evening.

Indoor revolver shooting was carried out as part of the winter programme. Two teams were entered in the D. C. R. A. Winter Competitions, the whole of the Miniature Range now being available for this form of shooting.

Results have been splendid, a higher standard having been attained than that of previous years, which will prove beneficial in the annual match with Sandhurst this year.

### RESULTS OF SEASON'S COMPETITIONS.

The undermentioned are the prize winners and spoon winners in the Monthly College Shoots:

SILVER CUP, BEST SHOT BADGE.

G. C. Blaikie, G. R.

MINIATURE SILVER CUP.

G.C. Savage, J. M.

BEST SHOT IN RECRUIT CLASS.

Winner of Silver Shield,

G. C. Wotherspoon, G. de S.

THE FOLLOWING ARE WINNERS OF COLLEGE SPOONS:

S.U.O. Archibald, B.M. ....	1	G.C. Steuart-Jones .....	1
Cpl. G.C. Wolfe-Merton .....	1	G.C. Lecky, W. J. ....	1
L/C G.C. Savage, J. M. ....	1	G.C. Meighen, C. M. G. ....	1
G.C. Blaikie, G. R. ....	2	G.C. Merritt, C. C. ....	1
G.C. Massie, J. H. C. ....	1	G.C. Landale, A. ....	1
G.C. Parsons, E. H. ....	1	G.C. White, T. d'aL. ....	1
G.C. McGowan, E. A. ....	1	G.C. McAvity, J. L. ....	2
G.C. Jacquays, H. M. ....	1	G.C. Wotherspoon, G. ....	2
G.C. Francis, B. P. ....	1	G.C. Wilson, F. H. ....	1
G.C. Cooper, J. M. ....	1	G.C. Groves, D. ....	2
G.C. Cousins, K. E. ....	1	G.C. Gow, J. A. ....	2
G.C. Beament, G.E. ....	1	G.C. Bessonette, J. W. T. ....	1
G.C. Doucet, H. E. T. ....	2	G.C. Sauer, G. D. ....	1

STAFF R. M. C.

Maj. Jeffrey, O.B.E., M.C. ....	1
Capt. Harvey, V.C., M.C. ....	1
S.M.I. Faulkner, F. ....	1
S.M.I. Driscoll, J. C. ....	1
S.M. Taylor, C. ....	1
Q.M.S.I. Middleton, A. ....	1
C.S.M.I. Harper, J. ....	1
C.S.M.I. Husher, J., D.C.M. ....	1
C.S.M.I. Bould, P.A. ....	1

DOMINION OF CANADA RIFLE ASSOCIATION COMPETITIONS.  
SPOON WINNERS.

.22" MINIATURE.				.303" GALLERY PRACTICE.			
Special Prize—S. M. Instr. Driscoll.				Special Prize—S.M. Instr. Faulkner, F.			
1st Class Spoon—S. M. I. Driscoll.				1st Class Spoons—S.M.I. Faulkner, F.			
2nd Class Spoons—Major Jeffery.				" " " Maj. Jeffery, J.			
"	"	"	Capt. Harvey, V.C.	"	"	"	S.M.I. Driscoll, J. C.
"	"	"	S.M.I. Faulkner, F.	"	"	"	S.M. Taylor, C.
"	"	"	Q.M.S.I. Middleton, A.	"	"	"	Q.M.S.I. Stevenson, E.
"	"	"	C.S.M.I. Harper, J.	"	"	"	G.C. Blaikie, G. R.
"	"	"	C.S.M.I. Husher, J.	2nd Class Spoons—Maj. Fortt, R.L.			
"	"	"	C.S.M.I. Bould, P.A.	"	"	"	Capt. Harvey, F. M.
"	"	"	Cpl. G.C. Wolfe-	"	"	"	Q.M.S.I. Middleton, A.
			Merton, A.W.	"	"	"	C.S.M.I. Hould, P. A.
"	"	"	G. C. Blaikie	"	"	"	C.S.M.I. Husher, J.
"	"	"	G.C. Landale, A.	"	"	"	J.U.O. Smith, H. C.
"	"	"	G.C. Sparling, H. A.	"	"	"	C.Q.M.S. G.C. Odlum,
"	"	"	G.C. Jaquays, H. M.				V. E. C.
				"	"	"	L/C G.C. Kerry, A. J.
				"	"	"	L/C G.C. Savage, J. M.
				"	"	"	G.C. Beament, G. E.
				"	"	"	G.C. McGowan, E. A.
				"	"	"	G.C. Parsons, E. H.
				"	"	"	G.C. Groves, D.
				"	"	"	G.C. Cooper, J. M.
				"	"	"	G.C. Sauer, G. D.
				"	"	"	G.C. Smith, R. G. C.
				"	"	"	G.C. Landale, A.

.455 REVOLVER COMPETITIONS.

Special Prize—S. M. Instr. Faulkner, F.  
Special Spoon—S. M. Instr. Faulkner.  
Special Spoon—Major Jeffery, O.B.E., M.C.  
Special Spoon—(L/C) G. C. Thornton, J.W.  
1st Class Spoons—(C.Q.M.S.) G. C. Odlum, V.E.C.  
1st Class Spoons—Maj. Fortt, R. L.  
2nd Class Spoons—S.U.O. Archibald, B. M.  
2nd Class Spoons—Cpl. G. C. Wolfe-Merton.  
2nd Class Spoons—J.U.O. Eberts, H. L.

J. C. DRISCOLL.

INTER-COMPANY GYMNASTIC COMPETITION, 1927.

This was held on Friday, April 8th, in the afternoon. There were two exercises on the parallel bars, two on the horizontal bar, one on ground-work, and five on the horse. With the exception of those on the horse all the above were composite exercises, consisting of at least three exercises apiece. The company teams consisted of six men each, the first four on each side to count. "A" Company won by 361 points to 354. The judges were members of the P. T. Staff. The final rating was: Campbell (94), Buell and Blaikie tied (92), Rolph (90), Hodson and Mackay tied (89), Odlum (85), and Smith, H. C. (84).

"A" Company—Campbell, Rolph, Odlum, Buell, Clarke, Sow.

"B" Company—Smith, H.C., Hodson, Mackay, Pollard, Blaikie, Kingsmill.

A. J. KERRY.



*Ex-Cadet*



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| 3. Lt. C. R. F. Coutlee  | 15. Mr. Leckie               | 27. Lt. G. G. Rose      |
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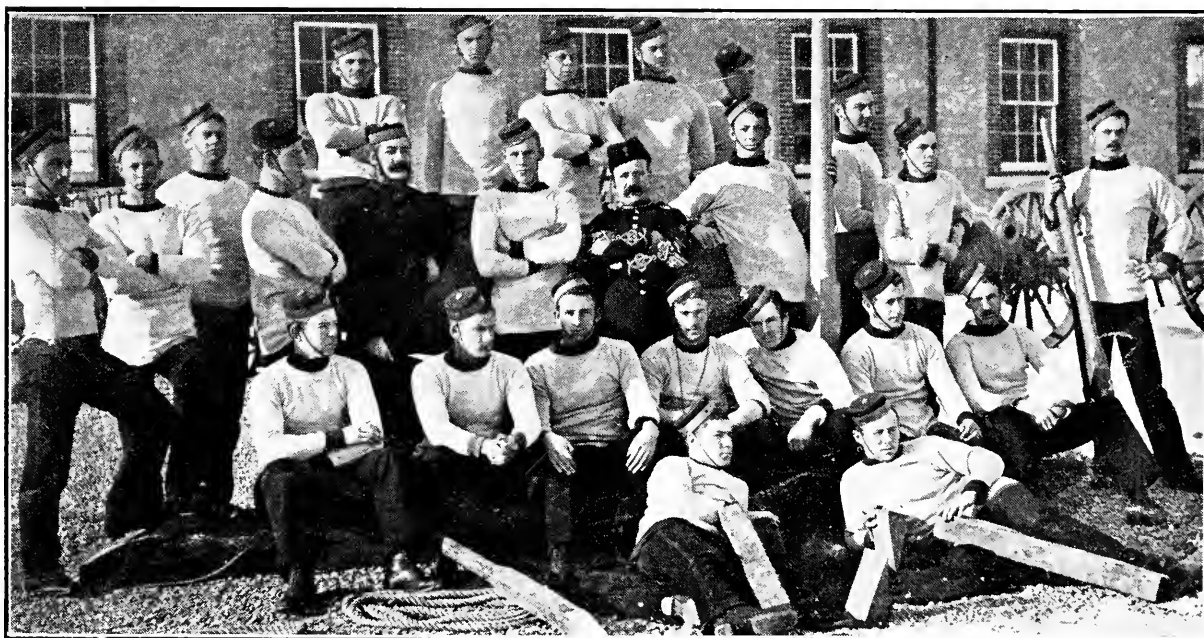
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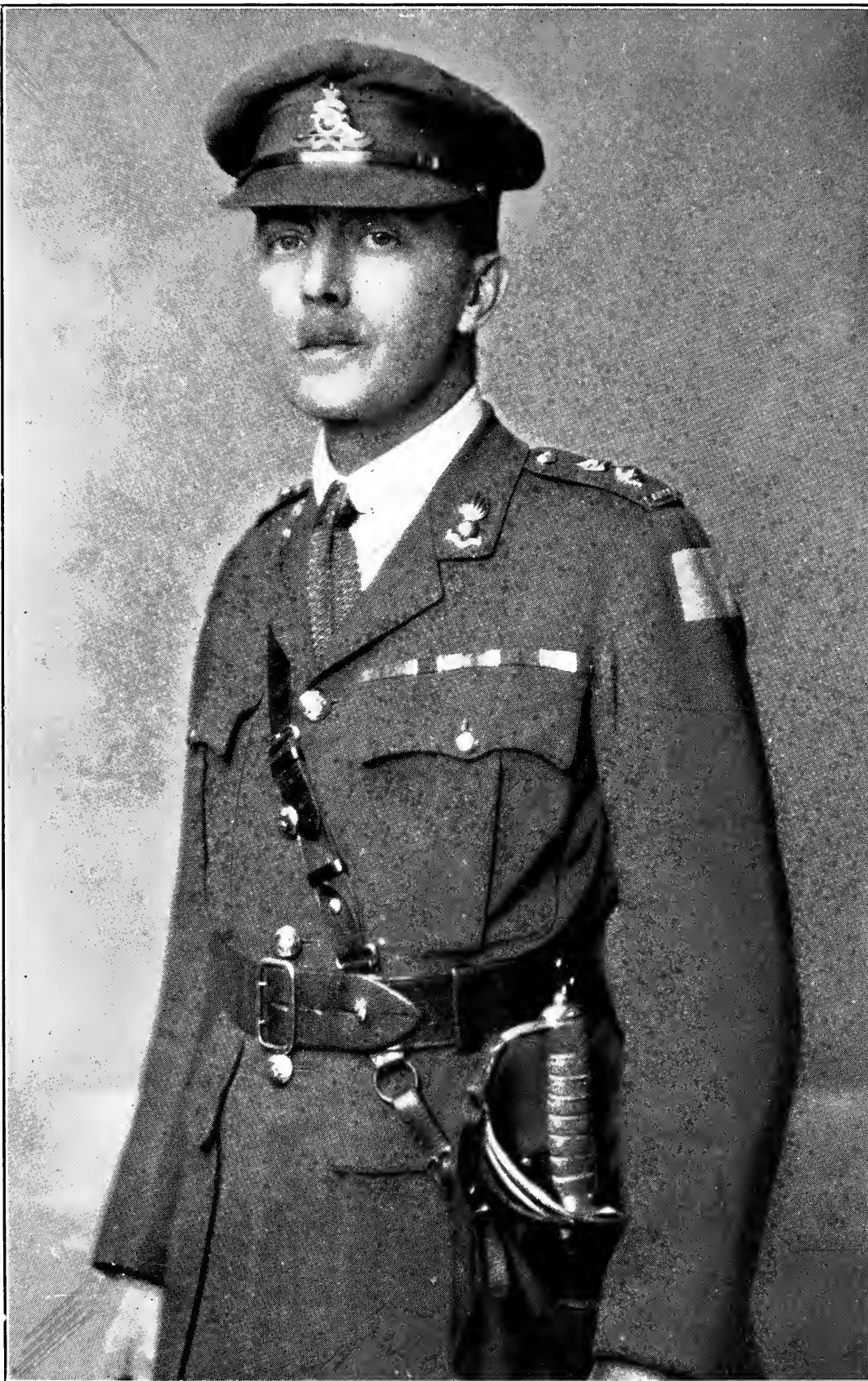
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## BIRTHS

BERMINGHAM—On Dec. 2nd, 1926, to the wife of No. 1468, J. Bermingham, a daughter, Barbara Jane.

BISHOP—To the wife of No. 965, Col. A. L. Bishop, a son, Arthur Leonard.

## MARRIAGES

GIBSON--WYNCH—At Gwalior, India, on December 30th, Miss Audrey Wynch, daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Wynch, to No. 686, Major J. C. Gibson, M.C., 20th Lancers, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gibson, of Cowansville, Quebec.

PETERSON--COMPTON SMITH—At Hong Kong, on December 16th, 1926, Mrs. Compton Smith, of London, England, to No. 56, Major G. L. Peterson, R.A.S.C. The bride was given away by No. 164, Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G., G.O.C., Hong Kong. Major Peterson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Peterson, of Montreal.

PRICE--SCOTT—At Breakeyville, on June 9th, 1926, No. 1426, Lieut. A. C. Price to Miss Ray Scott.

AHERN--HAMEL—On Tuesday, 22nd March, 1927, at Quebec, Lucienne, daughter of Mrs. Lomer Hamel, to No. 978, Lieut. Arthur Weston Ahern.

## DEATHS

*No. 122, Major W. F. Tilley, R.E.*

Major Tilley graduated from the R. M. C. in 1885, and joined the Royal Engineers, from which he retired in 1911. He died in England on Sept. 28th, 1926.

*No. 71, Colonel G. E. Laidlaw.*

Died on the 15th of January, 1927, at his late residence, "The Fort," Victoria Road, Ontario. Colonel Laidlaw, a great authority on Canadian archaeology, has frequently in the past sent our Library his papers and pamphlets on that subject.

*No. 95, Major-General J. C. Macdougall, C.M.G., The R.C.R.*

Died on January 30th, 1927, in the King Edward Hospital, Hamilton, Bermuda. He was born in Toronto in 1863, son of the late Alexander D. Macdougall, and grandson of Captain D. Macdougall, of the H. M. 79th Highlanders. He left the College in 1881 and became a Lieutenant in the 14th Regiment. In 1885 he was appointed Captain, and at the age of 22 was given a command at Fort Henry, Kingston, during the 1885 Rebellion. He joined the R. C. R. with the rank of lieutenant. He then served in Toronto for ten years, and his ability in military matters was so evident that he was sent to England for the regular course of instruction, where he passed one of the ablest examinations in the records of the School of Military Instruction, Chelsea Barracks.

At the Diamond Jubilee celebrations in London in 1887 he was selected as adjutant of the Canadian Contingent, and was also adjutant of the Colonial Infantry there. During the South African War he acted as Railway Transportation Officer, D.A.A.G., and Chief Staff Officer. From 1909 to 1911 he was Chief Staff Officer of the Maritime Provinces Command, and subsequently A.A.G., 4th Division. At the outbreak of the War he was given command of the camp of the Colonial Troops at Folkestone, and in 1915-16 he commanded the Canadian Training Division at Shorncliffe. He was employed on special duty during 1917-1918. He compiled the King's **Regulations** for the Canadian Militia in 1910, and co-ordinated them for the first time with the Imperial K. R. and O., and also wrote two other military textbooks.

*No. 656, Lieut. I. C. Campbell.*

Died on Feb. 8th, 1926, from double pneumonia. Mr. Campbell graduated from the R. M. C. in 1906.

*No. 1547, Kenneth W. McLeod.*

Accidentally killed in Vancouver on December 27th, 1926. He graduated from the College in 1924 with the rank of sergeant. At the time of his death he was about to leave for England to take an appointment in the Colonial Service.

*No. 107, John G. Hearn.*

Died on the 28th of January, 1927, at 84 Grand Allée, Quebec, in his 64th year. He was the son of the Hon. John Hearn. After graduating from the R. M. C. he was appointed Assistant Superintendent of the Quebec Arsenal. After several years at the Arsenal he went into business with his father, and later represented Quebec West in the Provincial Legislature. At the College he won the Governor-General's bronze medal, and was first in boxing.

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*Memorial.*

Sir Frederick and Lady Williams-Taylor have placed in the Entrance Hall to the Educational Building a brass Memorial Tablet in memory of their son, No. 1025, Lieut. Travers (Steve) Williams-Taylor, 13th Hussars. This tablet will be unveiled in the near future. Sir Frederick has also very kindly presented to the College the head of an Abyssinian buffalo with the following inscription: Shot by "Steve" Williams-Taylor, Lt. 13th Hussars, Bimbashi Soudanese Defence Force, at Dinder River, Abyssinia, April, 1926.

## RANDOM NOTES ON EX-CADETS

We have been notified of the following changes of address:

- 1631. J. C. Barry, S. S. Police,  
Singapore, Straits Settlements.
- 1602. Lieut. G. L. Foster,  
Officers' Mess, R. A. Park, Halifax, N.S.
- 849. Major W. M. Pearce, M.C.,  
2014 17th Avenue East, Calgary, Alta.
- 1170. John C. Patterson, Esq.,  
Asst. Gen. Agent, Canadian Pacific Rwy. Co.,  
1500 Locust Street, Philadelphia, Pa.
- 1164. Capt. J. E. H. Tidswell, R.C.A. S.C.,  
R.A.S.C., H.Q. Mess, Buller Barracks, Aldershot, England.

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Army Headquarters, India.  
Delhi.  
23rd February, 1927.

Editor R. M. C. "Review":

In my last report I referred to the engagement of No. 686, Major J. G. Gibson, to a Miss Wynch. Unfortunately due no doubt to my bad writing, the name appeared as *Minck* in the "Review." However, the good lady has changed it now in becoming the wife of "Dana." I enclose a newspaper clipping of the event.

I motored to Gwalior to attend the wedding, which was one of unusual interest. Gwalior is a well-known State of Central India, famous for its rock fortress and temple. The State Darbar spared no pains in entertaining the several hundred guests who assembled from various parts of India. A banquet, followed by a dance, was held in the beautiful Jai Bilas Palace, and the guests had the opportunity of seeing the famous silver train which runs round the long table dispensing drinks and smokes.

It will be of interest to ex-cadets to know that at those outlying ports of the Empire—Singapore and Hong Kong—ex-cadets are in command.

No. 162, General C. C. Van Straubenzee, has only just been appointed to the former, while No. 164, General C. C. Luard, has been in Hong Kong during all the trouble there. He has had on his staff two other ex-cadets—No. 350, Colonel C. M. Stephen, and No. 556, Major G. L. Peterson.

During the last half year I have circularized ex-cadets in the East with a view to stimulating interest in the college magazine. I attach a copy of the circular. We have plenty of material from which to obtain interesting articles, and I would suggest that you continue to emphasize this fact in each number of the "Review."

I have sent copies of the last two issues of the "Review" to H. E. the Commander-in-Chief, Sir William Birdwood, with the compliments of the 40 odd ex-cadets serving in the East. His letter of appreciation I attach and the opinion expressed in it of ex-cadets generally, is well worth publication, coming as it does from a man of his wide experience.

The following notes of postings and movements of ex-cadets may be of interest:

(a) No. 1053, Captain K. S. Torrance, M.C., Manchester Regiment, who graduated from the Staff College, Quetta, about a year ago, is now Brigade Major, Ahmednagar Brigade, near Bombay.

(b) No. 673, Major T. C. Greenwood, R.A., only recently arrived in India, has been appointed to the command of the 17th Pack Battery at Razmak, Waziristan, and accompanied the column on its march to Datta Khel, on the Afghan border.

(c) No. 715, Major G. A. R. Spain, has been transferred to the 10th Bn. 5th Maharatta Light Infantry at Belgaum.

(d) No. 497, Major A. H. Gwyn, of the Survey of India, is going on long leave to Canada this summer.

(e) No. 993, Captain H. Genet, M.C., R.E., will also be in Canada this year on long leave.

(f) No. 946, Captain A. C. Brooks, R.E., has returned from leave and resumed his appointment in the Adjutant-General's Branch, Army Headquarters.

(g) No. 463, Lt.-Colonel T. Kirkland, D.S.O., R.A., who is in command of the 12th Field Brigade, R.A., has moved from Bangalore to Lahore, Punjab.

(h) No. 440, Lt.-Colonel C. W. W. McLean, C.M.G., D.S.O., Royal Horse Artillery, who has recently been in command of a Horse Artillery Brigade at Meerut, United Provinces, has been transferred to Egypt.

(i) No. 571, Major H. M. M. Hackett, M.C., 6th Gurkha Rifles, and Lt.-Colonel F. H. Maynard, M.C., 5/6th Napiers' Rifles, who have both been on long leave, have returned to India and rejoined their regiments.

(j) No. 713, Major G. M. Hutton, has been transferred to Saharanpur, United Provinces, as Superintendent of the Army Remount Establishment there.

(k) No. 1517, Lieutenant C. B. Boulden, R.E., is on the H. Q. Staff of the Q. V. O. Madras Sappers and Miners at Bangalore.

(l) No. 991, Capt. F. J. P. Gibson, R.E., has reverted to the British Establishment after completing a tour of five years' service in India.

A. H. JUKES, Major.

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*Copy of a letter from Field Marshal Sir W. R. Birdwood, Bart., G.C.B., G.C.M.G., K.C.S.I., C.I.E., D.S.O., to Major A. H. Jukes, D.S.O.*

Delhi,

5th January, 1927.

My Dear Jukes,—

Just a line to thank you so much for the copy of the Kingston College "Review," which I have just got. I shall be so grateful if you can kindly convey to any of the 40 Kingston cadets who are in this country my grateful thanks for their kind thoughts in sending me this, and please assure them of the interest which I have always taken in them owing to the admiration I have for the really good work which I have seen performed by Kingston cadets in the army both in India and on service for many years past.

Yours sincerely,

W. R. BIRDWOOD.

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*Copy of Major Jukes's circular letter to all ex-Cadets in India.*

General Staff, India,

Simla, October, 1926.

Dear Sir:

Endeavours are now being made to stimulate interest in the R. M. C. of Canada "Review" and Log of H. M. S. Stone Frigate. Ex-cadets are invited to submit articles and photographs on subjects either of a professional, general or personal nature.

It is believed that with the facilities which should exist through an old boys' association whose members are as widely spread over the globe as ours, and who hold such a variety of positions, we could with slight individual effort build up a magazine of great interest and of undoubted value to the Empire.

With some idea of assisting those ex-cadets who reside in the East, I have agreed to act as corresponding secretary during my time at A. H. Q., India, keep the Editor informed of ex-cadets' movements, and forward to him any articles for publication.

A list of those believed to be serving in the East is attached, and I should be grateful for any correction or additions to it.

The "Review" at present issues twice a year—May and November—so that matter should reach me early in March and September. I would be grateful for any contribution from you.

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The following article is taken from the Manitoba "Free Press" of March 14th, 1927, and deals with a very gallant rescue, effected by No. 1619, C. H. Campbell, of a man immersed in the icy waters of the Assiniboine River, at 7 o'clock Sunday morning, March 13th: "Finally, when there seemed to be no other course open, Mr. Campbell, who was in his pyjamas, jumped into the water, and being a good swimmer, succeeded in bringing Mr. McLean to the shore. This proved an exceedingly difficult task, as to accomplish his purpose it was necessary for him to break up a considerable area of ice. He was badly cut on various parts of the body, but, exhausted, finally reached his companions on the shore with his human burden. Both had to be assisted from the water. They were taken to the quarters of the students at 390 Assiniboine avenue and both soon recovered from the effects."

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No. 791. Capt. A. B. Van Straubenzie, M.C., R.A., has been appointed G.S.O., 3rd Grade, R.A.

London Gazette, Nov. 9th, 1926.

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No. 411. Lieut.-Col. H. L. Bingay, D.S.O., R.E., has vacated his appointment as C.R.E., 1st Class, Madras District, India.

London Gazette, Dec. 24th, 1926.

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No. 952. Capt. A. G. Dobbie has been appointed Adjutant, K.O.S.B.

London Gazette, Dec. 28th, 1926.

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No. 395. Lieut.Col. H. St. Hamersley, D.S.O., on completion of four years' service as Regimental Lieut.-Colonel of the Royal Regiment of Artillery is placed on the half-pay list.

London Gazette, Feb. 1st, 1927.

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No. 440. Lieut.-Col. C. W. W. McLean, C.M.G., D.S.O., on completion of four years' service as Regimental Lieut.-Colonel of the Royal Regiment of Artillery is placed on the half-pay list.

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London Gazette, Feb. 18th, 1927.

No. 729. Major and Bt. Lt.-Col. A. E. Grassett, D.S.O., M.C., R.E., p.s.c., upon completing his tour of duty as G.S.O. (2) at the Staff College, Camberley, has been appointed to the command of the 59th (Field) Co., R.E., Catterick Camp, Yorks.

"The Sapper," March, 1927.

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No. 1118. Lieut. G. M. Carr-Harris, R.E., Aldershot, has put up the best score for the year (70), in the Royal Engineers Rifle Association Competition for 1926, and has been awarded the Corps Championship Gold Medal and the N.R.A. Bronze Medal.

"The Sapper," March, 1927.

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We are indebted to Major T. H. Tennant, of 36 South Drive, Shortstown, Cardington, Bedford, England, for the above two notices, and also for the account of the death of Major W. F. Tilley, R.E.



- No. 769. Major W. E. Blue, D.S.O., has been appointed manager of the Development Department of the Gatineau Paper Company.

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- No. 280. Major N. B. McLean has been appointed to take charge of the expedition to Hudson Strait and Bay to get accurate information as to ice conditions during two seasons. He will be away about 16 months, and winter in the Straits. His expedition will establish three air bases, one at each end of the Straits and one about half-way between the other two, which will be the headquarters for the party and a Government ship. During the season of 1928 this ship will cruise between the west end of the Straits and Port Nelson.

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- No. 743. Major L. Goodeve, D.S.O., has been appointed to the staff of the War Office in London.

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- No. 1164. Capt. J. E. H. Tidswell, R.C.A.S.C., is on transfer to the R.A.S.C., and is now at Buller Barracks, Aldershot.

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- No. 752. Major A. F. Nation has been appointed Sales Manager of Messrs. Hanson Bros., Montreal.

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- No. 645. Major (Temp. Col.) F. L. Armstrong, O.B.E., Director of Records, Ottawa, and No. 749, Major (Bt. Lt.-Col.) H. D. G. Crerar have been attached to the War Office, London.

Canadian Defence Quarterly, Jan., 1927.

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- No. 1119. Major J. H. Price, President of Price Bros., Quebec, was elected President of the Quebec Forest Industries Association on Jan. 26th, 1927.

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- No. 86. Colonel R. W. Leonard has given \$35,000 to Dalhousie University, and also \$35,000 to the Queen's University, Kingston, Endowment Fund.

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- No. 162. Major-General C. C. Van Straubenzee, C.B., C.M.G., has been appointed General Officer Commanding Malaya; his appointment is from the present year to 1931, and derives significance from the fact that important changes are likely to develop at Singapore during his tenure of office. General Straubenzee was a very welcome visitor at the College in the early part of May.

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- No. 1406. R. D. Sutherland has won the Clarkson Gold Medal in the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants' final examinations.

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- No. 578. Lt.-Colonel P. S. Benoit, C.R.C.E., Halifax, has been appointed Colonel Commandant Military District No. 5.

- No. 578. Colonel P. S. Benoit, Commander of Military District No. 5, was the guest of honour at a banquet tendered to him by Lt.-Col. G. Vanier and the Officers of the Royal 22nd Regiment at the Citadel, Quebec.

Nos. 1659, H. A. Davis, and 1612, G. N. C. Smith, played hockey for the London Lions versus the Victorias of Montreal. In the newspaper account of the match they were stated to have been the only English players who were a match for the Canadians. H. A. Davis has also been playing "Rugger" for the United Service "A" team.

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No. 1297. Lieut. G. D. S. Adami, R.E., is Garrison Engineer, Ishapore, Bengal, India.

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No. 289. J. deBoucherville, K.C., has been appointed a member of the Board of Commissioner-Censors of the Provincial Bank of Canada.

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Note: In connection with the article in the last number of the "Review" on "The Unveiling of the Memorial Tablet," it has been pointed out by one of "The Old Eighteen" that No. 7, L. H. Irving, was the senior of the original class in years and official rank, as he was made the first Cadet N.C.O. when the College opened, and later promoted to be the first Cadet Sergt.-Major, which rank he held for three years at the College.

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No. 749, Lieut.-Col. H. D. G. Crerar, D.S.O., R.C.A., has returned to Canada after four years' service in England. He spent two years at the Staff College, Camberley, and two years at the War Office as inter-change officer.

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The following articles have appeared lately in the "Canadian Defence Quarterly" by ex-Cadets:

January, 1927. A criticism of Col. J. F. C. Fuller's book, "The Foundations of the Science of War." By No. 1032, Capt. E. L. M. Burns, M.C., R.C.E.

April, 1927. "Strategy of the Interior and Exterior Line of Operation," with Sketch Maps. By No. 743, Major L. C. Goodeve, D.S.O., p.s.c., R.C.A.

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No. 749, Lt.-Col. H. D. G. Crerar, D.S.O., R.C.A., on March 31st, 1926, delivered a lecture to the Royal United Service Institution in London on "The Development of Closer Relations between the Military Forces of the Empire." This lecture was published in the Journal of the Royal United Service Institution of August, 1926, and also in the July, 1926, number of the Canadian Defence Quarterly.

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No. 1557, W. R. Sawyer, who graduated in 1924 from the R. M. C., and is now taking his M.Sc. at Queen's University, has been awarded a bursary at McGill, in Chemistry, of the value of \$750.

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No. 852, Major R. J. Leach, M.C., having finished his course at the Staff College, Camberley, has been appointed Adjutant of the R.C.A., Kingston.

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We were delighted to hear that we still had a representative in China. No. 344, D'Arcy Weatherbe, very kindly sent us a note with two little sketches made by him in 1925 when at the College. One of the College from Cedar Island and one of Prof. Forshaw Day, Professor of Freehand Drawing from 1879-1897.

No. 96, Mr. James White, Technical Adviser to the Department of Justice, Ottawa, has been exceedingly kind in having certain historic pictures in the Archives at Ottawa reproduced for us. We hope from time to time to be able to publish these in the Review. No. 567, F. H. Peters, Surveyor-General, has also very kindly lent his valuable assistance in this matter. To both of these ex-Cadets we owe a great debt for the trouble they have taken.

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As usual, we are greatly indebted to No. 47, Col. E. F. Wurtele, for much of our Ex-Cadet News. No. 609, Major A. H. Jukes, D.S.O., O.B.E., also sent us a splendid budget of news from India. We should like to remark once more that if only a few more ex-Cadets would follow their example we should be in a most fortunate state. It is hardly fair to leave it all to these two gentlemen.

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No. 599, Major L. F. Grant, has been appointed a Councillor of the Engineering Institute of Canada.

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No. 138, Lieut.-General Sir George M. Kirkpatrick, K.C.B., K.C.S.I., p.s.c (R.E), General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Western Command, India, has been promoted to full General. General Kirkpatrick very kindly allowed his picture to appear as the frontispiece in our last issue.

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No. 256, Major-General H. C. Thacker, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., has been appointed Chief of Staff in place of Major-General J. H. MacBrien, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., who has retired.

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No. 499, Brig.-General E. deB. Panet, C.M.G., D.S.O., was unanimously elected President of the Canadian Club of Montreal for the ensuing year.

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No. 943, Lt.-Colonel W. A. Bishop, V.C., D.S.O., M.C., has successfully promoted a chain of "Groceries" in England.

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### *June Ball Notice.*

The June Ball will take place this year on Monday, June 20th. The regulations and arrangements made for the last June Ball and Christmas Dance still remain in effect.

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### **CORRECTION TO LIST OF PRESIDENTS, R. M. C. CLUB**

We regret that the name of No. 293, Brig.-General C. J. Armstrong, C.B., C.M.G., was omitted from the list of Ex-Cadet Club Presidents, which appeared in the June, 1926, issue. General Armstrong was president for the year 1920-21.



## Notes on Reminiscences of the Early Days of the Royal Military College of Canada

By Lieut.-Colonel Ernest F. Wurtele, V.D., R.L. (No. 47)

### DESIGNATION OF "ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE OF CANADA."

**T**HIS honourable distinction was granted to the College in 1878, by the gracious consent of Her Majesty Queen Victoria.

In 1878, the Intelligence Department of the Imperial War Office presented to the College many valuable publications and maps, and similar information was regularly forwarded.

The Royal United Institution, the Institute of the Royal Artillery, and of the Royal Engineers presented regularly their valuable periodical publications.

In 1879, four Commissions were offered the Gentlemen Cadets in the Regular Army, one in the Royal Engineers, one in the Royal Artillery, and two in the Cavalry or Infantry.

In 1876, all the buildings were supplied with light from coal oil lamps. Cadets' quarters heated by hot air from two furnaces in the basement, supplemented by beehive stoves for hot water and two base burners (coal stoves).

In 1876 the Gentlemen Cadets were furnished with Martini-Henry Rifles, valise equipment, haversacks and water bottles. They supplied their own uniforms and necessities issued from College Stores at cost. They kept their own Arms and Accoutrements clean and made their own beds. Their boots were cleaned, floors washed and other similar services performed by servants of the College.

The North Block was erected in 1878 as an Educational and Mess Building, occupied as follows: Mess premises, eleven rooms; Hospital, eight rooms; Class and Lecture Rooms, ten; Library and Reading Rooms, three; Committee Rooms and Offices, seven; rooms temporarily occupied by 20 Cadets, six; Professors' room, one; total, 46. Heated by steam from two boilers in the basement.

In 1879 His Excellency the Marquis of Lorne, Governor-General of Canada, presented for the Reading Room portraits of himself and H. R. H. Princess Louise.

H. R. H. Princess Louise presented to the Library a complete set of the works of Sir Walter Scott. His Excellency the Marquis of Lorne expressed his intention of presenting a gold, a silver and a bronze medal to be competed for by the Gentlemen Cadets, awarded to Cadets who, by the records of the College, are shown to be respectively first, second and third in proficiency in all subjects of instruction, theoretical, practical, and in conduct and discipline, from the date of their joining the College to that of their graduating therefrom, i.e. to the three most highly distinguished Cadets of the period, in moral, mental and physical acquirements, extending throughout their whole course at the College.

### 1880

Substitution of Annual for Semi-Annual examinations for admission to the College.

Appointment of Officers of the Instructional Staff to the charge of Companies of Gentlemen Cadets.

The successful candidates at the examination which took place in 1880 were within the limits of 15 and 18 years on the 1st of January preceding that examination, instead of 15 and 20 on the first day of the month (June) of examination, as heretofore, and from September, 1880, inclusive, 15 9/12 and 19 9/12 will be the extreme limit of age for Cadets on the date of their joining the College, viz., in September of each year.

In the Target Practice, 9 pr. R. M. L. field guns, Corporal A. E. Hodgins made the highest individual score in the Dominion.

The squad of sixteen selected for competition against similar squads throughout the Dominion, also made the highest aggregate score.

The competition in Shifting Ordnance resulted in the Cadets executing the shift in the shortest time and winning the Dominion prize. In lieu of the cash prizes, the Cadets selected gold badges which they wore on the arm of their tunics.

### 1881—FACILITIES FOR INSTRUCTION IN PHYSICS

The receipt during the year of a valuable and carefully selected supply of physical apparatus placed the instruction in that important branch of education on a satisfactory footing.

### PRACTICAL ELECTRICAL INSTRUCTION

Practical electric testing for the first time entered into the course of Military Engineering for land and submarine mining, etc., and other purposes.

On the transition from Semi-Annual to Annual Terms (completed in June, 1881), a considerable number of Cadets of the 2nd and 3rd Classes were called upon to perform, and succeeded in getting through a great deal of work in somewhat less time than was originally intended, that is, some classes, those that entered in January, were called upon to graduate in three and one half years instead of four years.

### INSTRUCTION IN RIDING.

The establishment of horses for the Royal School of Gunnery having been increased, the Cadets were that year (1881) for the first time given a regular course of instruction in equitation, carried out by the Staff of the Royal School of Gunnery.

### SMALL ARMS COMPETITION

In 1881, for the first time, competitive contests in small arms were introduced, viz.: Sword, Bayonet, Foils, etc.

### CADET MEMBERS OF ARTILLERY COMPETITIVE TEAMS, SHOEBURYNESSE, 1880.

The Cadets of the Royal Military College made the highest score in the Dominion for the year 1880 for target practice with 9 pr. R. M. L. field gun, and in competition with the Garrison Artillery of the Dominion they took the prize of Shifting Heavy Ordnance. In consequence of this, two of the Cadets, namely, A. K. Kirkpatrick and A. E. Hodgins, were selected to proceed to England with the representative team for 1881, of the Dominion Artillery Association to compete at Shoeburyness, England, with the Artillery Volunteers of Great Britain.

In 1882 Rev. D. Honeyman, Provincial Geologist, Nova Scotia, presented a valuable collection of geological minerals from the Province of Nova Scotia.

Twenty-four Officers of the Canadian Militia attended the College for instruction in Military Engineering.

In 1883 gas was introduced. Concentration of the Science Department in the upper floor of the North Building.

Extension of Engineering and Artillery Sheds. Extension of water supply to portion of quarters in the Outer Enclosure.

A complete Battery of 6 pr. breach-loading field guns of special light construction was received in 1883.

Apparatus and appliances of very considerable importance and value provided during the year 1883, to enable the study of the science of Physics, Chemistry and Geology.

The designation of the official document attesting to graduation was altered from "1st and 2nd Class Certificates of Graduation" to "Diploma of Graduation" or "Diploma of Graduation with Honours" as the case may be.

The word "Diploma" better expresses the course of study at the College, and distinguishes it from "Drill" Certificates issued to all ranks by the Royal Schools of Artillery and Infantry.

In 1884 the College was honoured by a visit from their Excellencies the Governor-General and the Marchioness of Lansdowne.

In 1886 twenty-six additional Commissions were granted to Graduates of the College in the Regular Army, which number was extended to twenty-nine.

### OFFER OF GENTLEMEN CADETS FOR ACTIVE SERVICE IN THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES

On the outbreak of the Rebellion in 1885, in the North-West, the Gentlemen Cadets as a body offered themselves for active service in the field. The offer was forwarded to Headquarters by the Acting Commandant, and although the military requirements of the occasion were not deemed by the higher authorities to be such as to make it advisable to accept it, the feeling which dictated the offer is not the less to be commended, and the fact of its having been made evinces the laudably earnest spirit with which the Military Gentlemen Cadets of Canada are inspired.

### PERFORMANCE OF GARRISON DUTY BY THE GENTLEMEN CADETS

The regular troops in garrison having proceeded for active service to the North-West Territories, the circumstances having rendered it advisable that the College premises and Fort Frederick should not be unguarded, the Cadets assumed charge of the Fort for a time, and performed regular picquet duty at night during some three months of the term.

### GRADUATES OF THE R. M. C. VOLUNTEER FOR SERVICE IN THE NORTH-WEST

It is gratifying to observe that on the first occasion in which Canada has been engaged in any military operation since the opening of the College the same military spirit as has been shown by the Gentlemen Cadets of the College was also exhibited by those who went from it as graduates. At the outbreak of the Rebellion 88 graduates had passed out of the College. Twenty-four of these were in the Imperial Army and elsewhere abroad, and about fifty-five were at the moment residing in Canada; of these last thirteen were in Government employ, and almost all of the remainder were more or less in lucrative employment in civil life. About thirty graduates volunteered to join, and were actually present with difference corps in the force engaged in the field in suppressing the rebellion. Several others offered their services for the front, but in consequence of there not being any vacancies their services could not be accepted.



## GRADUATES OF THE R.M.C. VOLUNTEERED FOR SERVICE IN H. M. REGULAR ARMY

During the threatened complications in Europe, several graduates (some holding appointments in Canada and others residing temporarily in the United States), although they did not desire to obtain commissions during ordinary peace times, offered to relinquish their appointments and accept commissions in H. M. Regular Army in the event of the Mother Country becoming involved in serious war. The feeling expressed by several was that they considered it their duty to render themselves, in any serious emergency, available for active service in Canada or elsewhere, in return for the advantages they had obtained from the College.

## OPINIONS EXPRESSED OF WORK OF GRADUATES IN CIVIL LIFE

Regarding the work of graduates of the R. M. C. in civil life, it was publicly remarked by a gentleman connected with the Canadian Pacific Railway, of high position, great practical experience and of acknowledged status as a scientific man, that graduates of the R. M. C. had gained for themselves a very high reputation for efficiency and reliability in their work, and also for their gentlemanlike and respectful demeanour towards authority.

The Superior Staff on the day of the opening of the College, 1st June, 1876, consisted of the following members, Military and Civil:

Captain J. Bramley Ridout, 90th Light Infantry, Captain of Cadets, 103-76.

Captain E. Kensington, Royal Artillery, Professor of Mathematics and Artillery, 23-3-76.

Captain G. W. Hawkins, Royal Artillery, Professor of Fortification and Military Engineering, 8-6-76.

Rev. G. Ferguson, B.A., Professor of French and German, 1-6-76.

On the 9th of July, 1876, the College was visited by Hon. Alex. Mackenzie, Premier of Canada.

On the 3rd of August, 1876, the Staff and Gentlemen Cadets proceeded to camp at St. John's Island (St. Lawrence River), and returned on the 11th of August, having carried out full routine duties of a military camp.

On the 19th of October, 1876, the College was inspected by Major-General E. Selby Smyth, Commanding the Canadian Militia and President of the R. M. C.

On the 25th of February, 1877, fire broke out in the Cadet Barracks. The prompt and energetic and disciplined manner in which the Cadets carried out the fire orders, as previously detailed, succeeded in suppressing the flames before very serious damage had been done.

On the 2nd of June, 1877, the College was visited by the Hon. Alexander Mackenzie, Premier of Canada.

On the 20th of June, 1877, the College was inspected by Lieut.-General E. Selby Smyth, K.C.M.G., Commanding Canadian Militia, and President of the R. M. C., who presented the prizes won by the Gentlemen Cadets at the closing exercises. The Earl of Dufferin Medal for 1876 (bronze), won by No. 1, Corporal A. G. G. Wurtele.

On the 6th of September, 1877, the College was visited by His Excellency the Right Hon. the Earl of Dufferin, K.P., K.C.B., G.C.M.G., Governor-General of Canada, accompanied by Her Excellency the Countess of Dufferin.

On the 6th of September, 1877, the College was visited by Lieut.-General Sir E. Selby Smyth, K.C.M.G., Commanding Canadian Militia, and President of the R. M. C.

On the 24th of May, 1879, the Gentlemen Cadets attended the Military Review in Montreal, before His Excellency the Marquis of Lorne and Her Royal Highness the Princess Louise, 3,200 troops on parade. The Cadets were under the command of Major J. B. Ridout, Captain of Cadets.

On the 31st of May, 1879, His Excellency the Marquis of Lorne and H. R. H. Princess Louise witnessed a review at the College under the command of Lieut.-Colonel E. O. Hewett, the Commandant, at which were present the Gentlemen Cadets, "A" Battery, and two companies of the 14th Battalion, Kingston.

On the 30th of May, 1879, the Gentlemen Cadets furnished a Guard of Honour for a Drawing Room in the City Hall, given by H. R. H. Princess Louise.

On the 31st of May, 1879, H. R. H. Princess Louise presented prizes won by the Gentlemen Cadets at previous semi-annual examination.

On the 27th of June, 1879, the Hon. A. Campbell, Minister of Militia and Defence, and two members of the Dominion Cabinet inspected the College, and the former presented the prizes at the closing exercises.

On the 4th of December, 1879, the first Board of Visitors visited the College, consisting of Colonel Walker Powell, Adjutant-General, President of the Board of Visitors; Lieut.-Colonel T. J. Duchesnay, D.A.G., 7th M. D., Quebec; Lieut.-Colonel D. T. Irwin, Inspector of Artillery; Mr. J. T. Thorburn, M.A., Chairman Board of Examiners; Lieut.-Col. J. Macpherson, Accountant Department of Militia and Defence.

The first of the annual instead of the semi-annual competitive examinations for admission to the College took place in June, 1880. The changes from semi-annual to annual entrance examinations enabled the number of classes to be reduced from eight to four.

On the 25th of June, 1880, the Engineer Corps of the 2nd Military District arrived and camped in the outer enclosure for instruction, and on the 24th the Corps of the 5th Military District for the same purpose, until 1st July. Co. Sergt.-Major H. E. Wise and D. MacPherson were detailed for duty as officers with the 2nd District Corps.

On the 3rd of July, 1880, ten of the graduating class made a professional tour of instruction, returning on the 20th of July. The party was subject to military discipline throughout the tour as far as applicable to the circumstances. Party under the charge of Lt.-Col. E. V. O. Hewett, Commandant, and Major G. R. Walker, R. E. Professor of Military Engineering. Places visited: Montreal, Quebec, Londonderry, Halifax, Springhill, Metapedia, Campbellton, including harbours, canals and waterworks, railway bridges and lines, iron foundries, rolling mills and coal, iron and gold mines, war vessels, torpedo establishments, forts and batteries (land and sea), military positions, etc., and at Montreal the conversion of S. B. pr. guns into 60 pr. R. M. L. The party consisted of: W. M. Davis, H. W. Keefer, D. DesBrisay, J. B. Cochrane, H. E. Wise, J. Spelman, H. C. Freer, C. O. Fairbanks, and A. G. G. Wurtele.

On the 23rd of December, 1880, the class who joined on the 2nd of February, 1877, graduated this day, and in consequence of the new regulations by which only one examination for entrance is to be held in each year, cadets will in future graduate only once a year, namely, in summer.

The period of transition from eight classes to four was consummated in June, 1881.

In October, 1881, the Board of Visitors visited the College with Colonel Walker Powell, Adjutant-General, as President.

On the 27th of June, 1882, the closing exercises took place. The prizes were presented by Colonel Walker Powell, Adjutant-General.

On the 26th of June, 1883, the closing exercises took place, the last class containing members of classes originally separate, which joined the College at different dates, but which were gradually amalgamated during their college course. This amalgamation was found to be essential for the working of the College, viz., annual instead of semi-annual graduation.

On the 21st of April, 1884, special instructional work was carried out. In order to afford practical example of work executed, as nearly as circumstances would allow, under conditions of actual service, a one gun portion of a siege battery, of full dimensions, was thrown up and armed during the night. Work commenced at 8 p.m., and continued through the night till 4 a.m. The work was executed by the Gentlemen Cadets, "B" Battery, R.C.A., and a detachment of the Brighton and Charlottetown Engineers, who were undergoing a course of instruction at the College.

On the 13th of October, 1885, the College was inspected by Major-General Fred. Middleton, Commanding the Canadian Militia.

In 1885, a valuable and interesting collection of shells, etc., was presented to the College by Mrs. Barnston, of Montreal, through the Geological and Natural History Survey Office, Ottawa, for use of the College. This handsome presentation, taken together with the large collection of rocks, minerals, fossils, and paleontological casts, etc., obtained from the United States, and a presentation of a similar character by Mr. Charles Archibald, of Cape Breton, afforded greatly increased facilities for the study of a branch of science in which the College resources had hitherto been limited.

On the 13th of June, 1876, instructions were received from the Major-General Commanding, that the Cadet Company will take the "right" of the line when paraded with other troops.



## Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Royal Military College Club of Canada, held at the Engineering Institute of Canada, Saturday, April 9th, 1927.

1. In the absence of the President, Lieut.-Col. A. B. Gillies, O.B.E., through illness, the First Vice-President, Major S. B. Coristine, acted as Chairman.

### 2. PRESENT.

Major Stanley B. Coristine.  
 Lieut.-Col. Ernest F. Wurtele.  
 J. A. Riddell, Esq.  
 Major Arthur Chipman.  
 Brig.-Gen. E. deB. Panet, C.M.G., D.S.O.  
 Colonel-Commandant C. F. Constantine, D.S.O.  
 Major-Gen. Henri A. Panet, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.  
 Major R. R. Carr-Harris.  
 Capt. G. leB. Ross.  
 Capt. John E. Lyon, R.C.E.  
 C. J. Bermingham, Esq.  
 George C. Kirkpatrick, Esq.  
 J. E. Ganong, Jr., Esq.  
 J. B. Lewis, Esq.  
 C. H. Walker, Esq.  
 W. R. G. Holt, Esq.  
 R. B. Irvine, Esq.  
 M. C. Holt, Esq.  
 J. G. Porteous, Esq.  
 Major W. F. Hadley.  
 Major D. H. Williams.  
 T. H. P. Molson, Esq.  
 Gordon Reed, Esq.  
 Lieut.-Col. R. M. Courtney.  
 Lieut.-Col. H. J. Lamb, D.S.O.  
 Major J. M. Eakins.  
 Major C. S. Hanson.

### 3. MINUTES.

The Minutes of the last Annual Meeting having been published in the R. M. C. Review, it was moved by Lieut.-Col. E. F. Wurtele, and seconded by Major C. S. Hanson, that they be taken as read, and confirmed.

CARRIED.

### 4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

The President's Report on the activities of the Club for the past year was read by the Chairman. The Report was as follows:—

"I beg to report on the activities of the Club during the past year as follows:—

"The last Annual Meeting was held in Ottawa on Thursday, 8th April, 1926. The Council elected for the year 1926-1927 were as follows:

Halifax—Major-Gen. H. C. Thacker, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.

Quebec—Capt. Gerald Ryan.

Montreal—Major S. B. Coristine.

Major J. M. Eakins.

J. S. Riddell, Esq.

Ottawa—Lieut.-Col. R. M. Courtney.

Lieut.-Col. A. B. Gillies, O.B.E.

Toronto—W. W. Southam, Esq.

J. E. Ganong, Esq.

C. H. Walker, Esq.

Vancouver—Lieut.-Col. H. S. Tobin, D.S.O.

Representing Ex-Cadets not Members of Branch Clubs.

Brig.-Gen. G. S. Cartwright, C.B., C.M.G.

Colonel A. C. Caldwell.

Brig.-Gen. E. deB. Panet, C.M.G., D.S.O.

Lieut.-Col. W. B. Kingsmill, D.S.O.

Brig.-Gen. C. J. Armstrong, C.M.G.

Lieut.-Col. H. J. Lamb, D.S.O.

"The Annual Dinner was held in the evening at the Royal Ottawa Golf Club.

#### Branch Clubs.

"Annual Reports have been received from the following Branch Clubs: Halifax, Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, and Vancouver. The Branch Clubs are working in a satisfactory manner, meetings and social events having been held during the year.

#### R. M. C. Review.

"At the last Annual Meeting the Club decided to guarantee the sum of \$700.00 to the 'Review' for the year 1926, and also another \$500.00 towards the publication of the Anniversary Number, making a total of \$1,200.00 for the year. To raise this amount an appeal was sent to the members to forward an extra dollar in addition to their usual annual dues; also the Toronto and Montreal Branch Clubs undertook to forward advertisements. As a result of this appeal, the Club was able to pay the "Review" the sum of \$1,200.00 without having to use any of the Club's funds.

"The Anniversary Issue was a splendid number, and the Editor, Mr. Bridger, and his associates are to be congratulated on its production.

"Mr. Bridger has again requested the Secretary to ask ex-Cadets to send any news which might be of interest for publication in the "Review." Co-operation in this respect from ex-Cadets all over the world would be appreciated by the Editor.

#### Financial.

"The Financial Statement prepared by the Secretary-Treasurer has been duly audited by Messrs. Jenkins & Hardy, Chartered Accountants. The report shows the surplus at the end of the year amounting to \$1168.80. Register.

"This work is being proceeded with. Owing to the large number of ex-Cadets not advising of their change of address, many forms have not been completed. However, the Commandant has very kindly come to our assistance by having the forms received by the Club checked at the College, and also filling in as far as possible information concerning ex-Cadets available from College records. This work is very much appreciated, as it necessarily takes a lot of time and labour. We hope in time to have a record of each cadet that has passed through the College.

"It would be most helpful if members of the Club would advise promptly any change of address.

#### R. M. C. Club Colours.

"Your committee at the last meeting held in Montreal on December 15th, 1926, instructed the Secretary to order hat bands and ties. Owing to the heavy expenditure incurred by the Club in connection with the tablet and photographs of the Memorial Arch, it was decided to hold this in abeyance so that the Club would not have to dip into the surplus fund.

#### Celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Opening of the Royal Military College.

"To commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of the College, the Club erected at the College a tablet. This tablet was unveiled by Brig.-Gen. S. J. A. Denison, C.M.G., 'one of the Old Eighteen,' at the Closing Exercises last June, a large number of ex-Cadets being present.

#### Photographs of the Memorial Arch for Presentation to Public Schools.

"Photographs have been sent to the following schools, and it is hoped to send further photographs as funds become available: Upper Canada College, St. Andrew's College, Bishop's College School, St. Albans, Trinity College School, Ridley College, Ashbury College.

**Life Members.**

"At the last Annual Meeting the Club decided to increase the life membership fee to \$100.00. As a result of the appeal made to members, the following have become life members:

Lieut. G. D. S. Adami, R.E., India.

Charles E. Price, Esq., Quebec.

"I would urge all those who are financially able to, to become life members of the Club. Life members are relieved from payment of annual dues to the parent Club, and also receive the "Review" free of charge.

**Deaths.**

"I regret to have to report that the following members have died during the past year:

No. 1578, R. M. Carr Harris—Died from an aeroplane accident on Thursday, August 19th, 1926.

No. 656, Lieut. I. C. Campbell—Died from double pneumonia on February 8th, 1926.

No. 107, John G. Hearn—Died at Quebec on January 28th, 1927.

No. 40, H. H. Hogan—Died suddenly of heart failure on May 28th, 1926, at San Remo, Italy.

No. 63, Col. George R. Hooper—Died at Cartierville, Que., on August 23rd, 1926.

No. 705, Major J. A. Keefer, M.C.—Died at Victoria, B.C., on June 19th, 1926.

No. 71, Lieut.-Col. George E. Laidlaw—Died at Twp. of Bexley, Ont., on January 15th, 1927.

No. 95, Major-General J. C. MacDougall, C.M.G.—Died at Hamilton, Bermuda, on January 31st, 1927.

No. 1547, K. W. McLeod—Accidentally killed at Vancouver, B.C., on December 23rd, 1926.

No. 1296, J. C. Russell—Died in Montreal, May, 1926.

No. 397, Lieut.-Col. C. L. Sweeney, I.A., D.S.O., M.C., O.B.E.—Died at Westmount, P.Q., Saturday, Oct. 9th, 1926.

No. 1025, Lieut. Travers Williams-Taylor—Died at Shendi, on the Blue Nile, Africa, May, 1926.

No. 122, Major W. F. Tilley, R.E.—Died in England on Sept. 28th, 1926."

The Chairman moved the adoption of the President's Report, seconded by Brig.-Gen. E. deB. Panet, C.M.G., D.S.O.

CARRIED.

In moving the adoption of the President's Report, the Chairman reported that the President had been indisposed for some time, and was, in consequence, unable to attend the meeting. The Secretary was instructed to write to Lieut.-Col. Gillies, expressing the sympathy of the members and the hope that he would soon be fully recovered from his indisposition.

**5. DEATHS.**

The death of Sir Edward Raban, late Professor of Military Engineering at the College 1882-1886, was reported to the meeting, and it was moved by Brig.-Gen. E. deB. Panet, C.M.G., D.S.O., and seconded by Major C. S. Hanson, that a letter of condolence be sent to Lady Raban.

It was moved by Brig.-Gen. E. deB. Panet, and seconded by Lieut.-Col. H. J. Lamb, that a letter of condolence be written to the family of each ex-Cadet who had died during the past year.

CARRIED.

**6. FINANCIAL REPORT.**

The Financial Report presented by the Secretary-Treasurer read as follows:—

**BALANCE SHEET AS OF DECEMBER 31st, 1926.**

**ASSETS.**

Cash in Bank .....	\$	313	47
Investments (at cost)—			
\$3100 Dom. of Canada 5½% Victory Bonds, 1934 .....	\$3,135	38	
500 Town of Kincardine 4½% Bonds, 1927 .....	500	00	
100 Dominion of Canada 4½%, 1944 .....	96	41	
500 Republic of Chile 6% Bonds, 1960 .....	468	80	
			4,200 59



Loan to Memorial Arch .....	85 35
(To be repaid by Toronto Branch).	
	<u>\$4,599 41</u>

## LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable—Sundry .....	\$ 20 00
Accounts Payable—Memorial Arch Fund .....	262 30
Life membership subscriptions .....	3,148 31
Surplus as per Revenue Account .....	<u>1,168 80</u>
	<u>\$4,599 41</u>

## REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR 1926

## REVENUE

Surplus at December 31st, 1925 .....	\$1,241 83
Sundry Subscriptions .....	\$1,208 90
Interest received on Investments .....	206 22
Interest received on Bank Account .....	14 95
Dominion Government Grant .....	200 00
Miscellaneous Income .....	85 35
Subscriptions to R. M. C. Review .....	\$943 89
Less Payments .....	<u>765 00</u>
	178 89
	<u>1,894 31</u>
	<u>\$3,136 14</u>

## EXPENDITURE

Salaries ..	\$ 600 00
Postage and Stationery .....	367 26
Miscellaneous Expense .....	58 70
Transportation of Executive .....	220 40
Audit Fee .....	20 00
Bank Exchange .....	16 57
Memorial Arch Photographs for Schools .....	218 06
Tablet Royal Military College .....	<u>466 35</u>
	<u>\$1,967 34</u>
Surplus at December 31st, 1926 .....	<u>1,168 80</u>
	<u>\$3,136 14</u>

It was moved by Major R. R. Carr-Harris, and seconded by Mr. T. H. P. Molson, that the Financial Report be adopted and filed.

CARRIED.

## 7. ADVISORY BOARD.

A letter from Major-General H. A. Panet, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., Adjutant-General, was read to the meeting requesting the R. M. C. Club of Canada to nominate a representative on the Advisory Board. This matter was left to be dealt with by the incoming General Council.

## 8. PAYMENT OF BACK DUES.

The question of collecting back dues was discussed at length, and it was moved by Major R. R. Carr-Harris, and seconded by Mr. T. H. P. Molson, that this matter be left to the discretion of the Branch Clubs, and that a copy of this motion be sent to the Honourary Secretary-Treasurer of the various Branch Clubs.

CARRIED.

## 9. PRESENTATION TO COLLEGE FOOTBALL TEAM,

(Canadian Intermediate Champions).

The meeting expressed its pleasure at the result achieved by the College Football Team, and the question of the presentation of a suitable souvenir was left to be dealt with by the incoming General Council, with authority to act as they deemed advisable.

CARRIED.

**10. HONOURARY OFFICERS.**

It was moved by Mr. J. E. Ganong, Jr., and seconded by Lieut.-Col. R. M. Courtney, that the Secretary be authorized to ask His Excellency the Right Honourable Viscount Willingdon, G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G., G.C.I.E., G.B.E., Governor-General of Canada, to be Patron of the Club, and that he be elected subject to his consent.

CARRIED.

**11. APPOINTMENT OF GENERAL COUNCIL 1927-1928.**

The Chairman announced the Council for the year 1927-1928, as follows:—

Quebec—Capt. Gerald Ryan.  
 Vancouver—Lieut.-Col. H. S. Tobin, D.S.O.  
 Montreal—Major C. S. Hanson.  
                   Major N. H. Macaulay, D.S.O.  
                   T. H. P. Molson, Esq.  
 Toronto—F. A. Warren, Esq.  
                   George Kirkpatrick, Esq.  
                   J. E. Ganong, Esq.  
 Ottawa—Lieut.-Col. R. M. Courtney.  
                   Capt. F. Anderson.  
 Halifax—Lieut.-Col. P. S. Benoit, R.C.E.

**Representing Ex-Cadets not Members of Branch Clubs.**

Lieut.-Col. A. B. Gillies, O.B.E.  
 Brig.-Gen. E. deB. Panet, C.M.G., D.S.O.  
 Brig.-Gen. G. S. Cartwright, C.B., C.M.G.  
 Colonel A. C. Caldwell.  
 Lieut.-Col. W. B. Kingsmill, D.S.O.  
 Brig.-Gen. C. J. Armstrong, C.B., C.M.G.

**12. R. M. C. REVIEW—Continuation of Support.**

It was moved by Mr. Riddell, and seconded by Mr. D. H. Williams, that the Club approve of financial support being given to the R. M. C. Review, and that the sum of \$700.00 be donated for the year 1927, and the Secretary be authorized to pay this amount.

CARRIED.

**13. DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT ANNUAL MEETING.**

It was moved by Brig.-Gen. E. deB. Panet, and seconded by Mr. R. B. Irvine, that the next Annual Meeting be held in Toronto, and that the date be left to be dealt with by the incoming General Council.

CARRIED.

**14. HONOURARY MEMBERS.**

It was moved by Major Arthur R. Chipman, and seconded by Lieut.-Col. R. M. Courtney, that Professor Iva E. Martin be elected an Honourary Member of the Club, and that Major-General Sir A. C. Macdonell, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., be elected an Honourary Life Member of the Club.

CARRIED.

15. It was moved by Lieut.-Col. E. F. Wurtele, and seconded by Lieut.-Col. H. J. Lamb, that a vote of thanks be tendered to the retiring officers of the Club for their services during their term of office.

CARRIED.

16. It was moved by Brig.-Gen. E. deB. Panet, and seconded by Colonel-Commandant C. F. Constantine that a vote of thanks be tendered to the Engineering Institute of Canada for their kindness in allowing the Club to hold the meeting at the Institute.

CARRIED.

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

**Minutes of the Meeting of the General Council of the Royal Military College  
Club of Canada, held at the Engineering Institute of Canada,  
Montreal, Saturday, April 9th, 1927.**

**1. Present.**

Major Stanley B. Coristine.  
J. A. Riddell, Esq.  
Lieut.-Col. R. M. Courtney.  
Major R. R. Carr-Harris.  
George C. Kirkpatrick, Esq.  
Capt. John E. Lyon (representing Capt. Gerald Ryan, Quebec.)  
J. E. Ganong, Jr., Esq.  
C. H. Walker, Esq.  
Lieut.-Col. H. J. Lamb, D.S.O.  
Major-Gen. Henri A. Panet, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.  
Major C. S. Hanson.  
Brig.-Gen. E. deB. Panet, C.M.G., D.S.O.  
R. D. Williams, Secretary-Treasurer.

**2. The Chairman, Major S. B. Coristine, called the meeting immediately after the close of the Annual Meeting.**

**3. Advisory Board.**

It was moved by Major S. B. Coristine, and seconded by Major R. R. Carr-Harris, that Brig.-Gen. E. deB. Panet, C.M.G., D.S.O., be nominated to represent the R. M. C. Club of Canada on the Advisory Board, and that the Secretary write the Adjutant-General, advising.

CARRIED.

**4. Presentation to College Football Team.**

It was moved by Major C. S. Hanson and seconded by Brig.-General E. deB. Panet, that, in view of the Club being in funds, a sum not exceeding \$200.00 be set aside for the purpose of purchasing suitable mementoes to the members of the 1926 College Football Team, but that this is not to be considered as a precedent.

CARRIED.

**5. Date of Annual Meeting.**

As the next Annual Meeting is to be held in Toronto, this matter was left for the Toronto Branch to decide what date would be most suitable to them.

**6. Election of Officers.**

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President ..... Major S. B. Coristine  
1st Vice-President ..... Major R. R. Carr-Harris  
2nd Vice-President ..... Lieut.-Col. J. H. Price, M.C.

**Executive Committee.**

George Kirkpatrick, Esq.                      Major C. S. Hanson  
C. H. Walker, Esq.                              Major N. H. Macaulay, D.S.O.  
Lieut.-Col. R. M. Courtney

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

## ANNUAL DINNER

**T**HE Annual Dinner was held on April 9th, 1927, at the Montreal Club; 109 were present, including the Commandant and the B. S. M. Major C. S. Hanson, President of the Montreal Branch, acted as Chairman, with Col. Constantine as guest of honour on his right, and Major S. B. Coristine, acting President of the Parent Club, on his left. Among those present at the head table were: Col. E. F. Wurtele, Lt.-Col. R. M. Courtney, Lt.-Col. H. J. Lamb, D.S.O., Col. Boak, D.S.O., Major N. H. Macaulay, D.S.O., J. A. Riddell, Brig.-Gen. E. deB. Panet, C.M.G., D.S.O., Major-Gen. H. A. Panet, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., Col. W. H. P. Elkins, D.S.O., A. R. Chipman, D. A. White.

The band of the Royal Montreal Regiment provided the music. A very pleasant entertainment was given under the direction of Messrs. A. M. Mitchell, A. F. Hale and R. H. Harrower. The big feature of this was the Musical Ride under Mr. M. M. Sinclair. With horses made of white cotton and painted card board heads, and carrying lances, the ride made a very humorous spectacle as they moved around the room and made the usual manoeuvres to the tune of the R. M. R. Band. Messrs. E. W. Crowe and W. E. Dunbar also helped with a short turn.

Toasts were given to the King, Absent Friends, and to the College, to the last of which the Commandant made a short reply to the effect that the College was carrying on as usual in the same old way.

After the dinner most of those present adjourned to the Messes of the Artillery and Highlanders, at which dances were in progress, where a very enjoyable evening was concluded.

The following telegrams were read at the dinner:

Winnipeg, Man., April 9, 1927.

R. D. Williams,

Top floor, Dominion Express Bldg., Montreal, Que.

Not being able to attend your annual dinner, we are doing next best thing and having small reunion of our own, Numbers 343, 1301, 1022, 1227, 1438, 1508, 1383, 1619, 1601, 1639, 1648, 1786, 1261, 1341.

(Signed) J. C. HOLDEN.

The Secretary,

R. M. C. Club,

145 St. James Street, Montreal, P.Q.

Vancouver, B.C., April 9, 1927.

Vancouver Branch wish the Parent Club a most enjoyable evening. Halt. We suggest ways and means of keeping R. M. C. Cadets together by the constant contact and more propaganda between ex-Cadets to keep up the old feeling. Form fours. While we sit here basking in the sunshine of British Columbia, we often think of our poor cold storage R. M. C. friends in the east. Mark time. Suggest that the next general meeting be held here. Who told you to dismount? Again wishing you fun, please, oh please, partake of gin fizzes with us in Vancouver to-morrow morning. Three days C.B.

(Signed) DOUGLAS FISKEN, Hon. President.

## CORRESPONDENCE

14th April, 1927.

Professor Iva E. Martin,

247 Russell Hill Road,

Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:—

I am instructed by the President of the Royal Military College Club of Canada to advise you that at the Annual Meeting, held in Montreal on April 9th, 1927, you were elected an Honorary Member of the Club.

I am instructed to state that this action was prompted not only by the valuable services rendered by yourself to the College during your thirty-two years on the Superior Staff, but by what you may prize more highly—the affection and regard your old pupils feel for you, which is as imperishable as the fact that

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For your information I am enclosing herewith copy of the Constitution and By-laws of the Club.

Yours very truly,

SECRETARY-TREASURER.

247 Russell Hill Road,  
Toronto (5)  
April 21st, 1927.

R. D. Williams, Esq.,  
Sec.-Treasurer R. M. C. Club,  
Toronto.

My Dear Mr. Williams:—

I want to tell you with what pleasure I received your note of the 14th inst. conveying to me the gratifying intelligence of being elected an Honorary Member of the Royal Military College Club of Canada, at the annual meeting, held in Montreal on April 9th, 1927.

Will you kindly express to the President and Members of the Club how exhilarating was the added reason for making me an Honorary Member which was phrased in your note as "The affection and regard your old pupils feel for you." It will seem to you unnecessary for me to say that I reciprocate that sentiment with as much endurance as it implied in the Trigonometrical relation which is so often referred to in the salutations of ex-Cadets and is included in your note.

I shall be guided by the Constitution and By-laws which you enclosed, and may I hope that my future will frequently put me into that social intercourse, so congenial to me, with the ex-Cadets who are so thrilling in their gracious gestures.

Yours very sincerely,  
IVA E. MARTIN.

14th April, 1927.

Lieut.-Gen. Sir A. C. Macdonell, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.,  
3026 Sixth Avenue, West,  
Calgary, Alberta.

Sir:—

I am instructed by the President of the Royal Military College Club to advise you that at the Annual Meeting, held in Montreal on April 9th, you were elected an Honorary Life Member of the Club, in recognition of the invaluable services rendered to the College during your term as Commandant.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,  
Your obedient servant,  
SECRETARY-TREASURER.

3026 Sixth Street West,  
Calgary, April 22nd, 1927.

The Secretary,  
The Royal Military College Ex-Cadet Club,  
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir:—

Will you please convey my grateful thanks to the President, Committee and Members of the R. M. C. Ex-Cadet Club for the signal honour they have conferred on me by electing me an Honorary Life Member of the Club.

No event in my life has gratified me more, and few as much. This honour is all the more appreciated and valued because of its unexpectedness.

I am, with renewed thanks,

Yours sincerely,  
ARCHIBALD CAMERON MACDONELL.  
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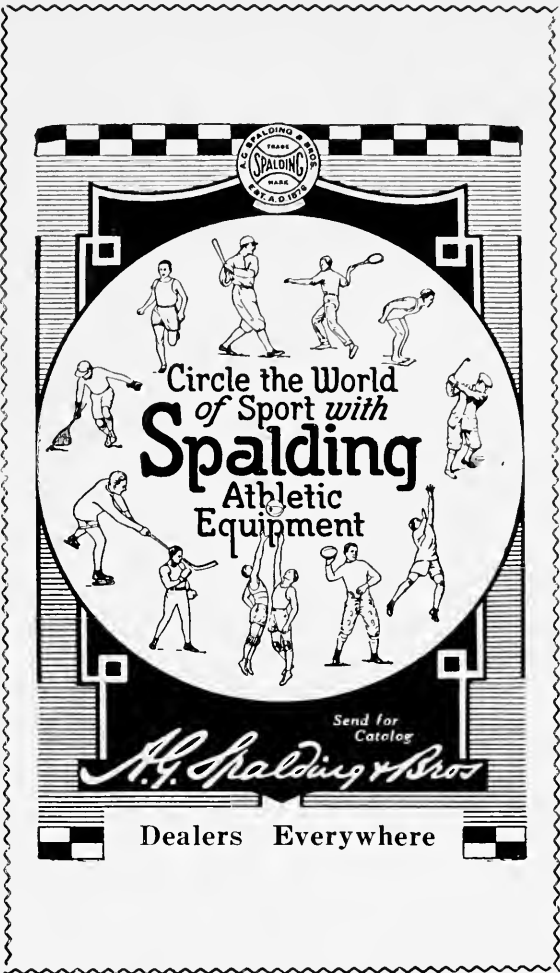
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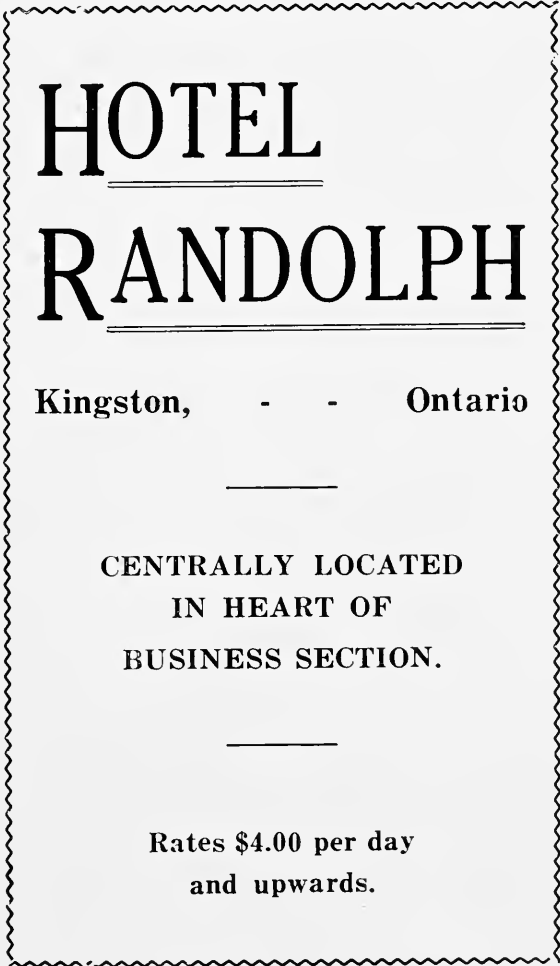
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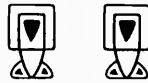
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